

The Bethel Citizen

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And 'black liquor' was his load



Early Tuesday morning a Canadian tank truck hauling approximately 5,000 gallons of 'black liquor' to the Mead Corp. mill in Rumford lost control at a corner of Route 26 just west of Gilead, slid across the westbound lane and rolled off the road. The driver suffered only minor injuries, but the truck lost approximately 20 percent of its load through a gash in the top of the tank, according to Gilead Fire Chief Ken Cole. Cole described black liquor as "a mild diluted type of product," used in papermaking. It is toxic, he said, only after prolonged exposure, when it can cause a mild rash or slight skin burn. Cole said road conditions at the time of the accident were

extremely 'greasy.' In addition to Gilead fire, units responded to the accident from the Shelburne (N.H.) and Rumford fire departments, the Bethel Police Department and Rescue Service, Oxford County Sheriff's Office, the Mead HazMat team and Maine Department of Environmental Protection. Cole also credited quick action by two commercial responders from New Hampshire, Taillon Crane Service of Gorham and Lowe's Wrecker of Randolph, with helping to minimize spillage. Here, Gilead Assistant Fire Chief Stephen McLain and Captain Freeman Corriveau observe the salvage operation.

(Photo by Michael Daniels)

Town Meeting season kicks off

Voters will decide how far West Paris budget drops

By DUANE HAYES

Special to The Bethel Citizen
When the town's voters convene for the 2000 annual Town Meeting at 10 a.m., Saturday, March 4, at the Agnes Gray School, they will be facing a 72-article warrant, which includes proposed municipal budgets from both the selectmen

and the budget committee.

The selectmen are recommending a budget of \$451,218, which cuts the budget by \$32,679 from the \$483,897 appropriation of 1999, while the budget committee is recommending a \$49,749 reduction.

The differences come from the fact that the selectmen are recom-

mending a total of \$8,520 in accounts regarding the town's Junior Fire Fighter Program, repairs on the soap box derby track, the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program, Seniors Plus, Androscoggin Home Health, the Progress Center and Western Maine Transportation while the budget committee is rec-

ommending \$0 in those areas. Also, they differ on the amount to be raised for the town library and the Old Home Days 2000 celebration that is being planned for early June. The selectmen are recommending \$5,000 for the library and \$1,500

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In Andover the question is what to pay treasurer

By ALISON ALOISIO

The salary for the town treasurer and election of a treasurer and road commissioner are among the items expected to generate interest in Andover.

The Town Meeting takes place Saturday, with elections to follow on Tuesday, March 7.

The treasurer's salary was the subject of lengthy discussion at a public hearing in January. The position is currently held by Shirley Gammon, who is not seeking another term.

A poll taken prior to the hearing showed residents favoring a raise for the position by a 57-8 margin.

Gammon currently makes \$4,800 a year. Observed selectman Wendy Green at the hearing, "She manages a little over a million dollars. The pay is like the Dark Ages." The salary translates to about \$4.61 an hour, Green said.

Gammon asked for a raise to \$5,000 last year, but it was turned

down by voters. This year, selectmen are recommending the salary be raised to \$8,320.

Two write-in candidates will vie for the treasurer's job, according to Phyllis Spaulding, Andover town clerk. They are Laura Hutchins and

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Newry looks at '00 town budget of over \$600,000

By ALISON ALOISIO

If Newry voters approve all the items on the warrant Monday night, the municipal budget will total \$615,106 -- up \$72,853 from last year.

Most of the increase would come

as a result of the Fire Department's request for a new tank truck. Selectmen are recommending \$57,000 be raised in each of the next two years to help pay for the \$250,000 truck.

Newry currently has \$90,000 in

its Fire Equipment Capital reserve account.

They are also recommending that a total of \$45,000 in the Highway Capital Improvement and Bear River Fire Station reserve accounts be used over the two years toward the truck.

The town, which now contracts out for road maintenance, no longer needs highway capital improvement funds. The fund currently holds \$29,000. The \$16,000 in fire station money is left over from

construction of the Bear River station.

The department originally requested that the town raise all the money needed to buy the truck this year. Selectmen, however, said that was too much to ask of taxpayers.

In addition to the funds raised for the tank truck, another \$65,000 is being recommended as the regular annual donation to the fire department capital account, for a total of

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Local 2000 Town Meetings

Town	Date & time	Location
Andover	March 4, 8 a.m.	Town Hall
West Paris	March 4, 10 a.m.	Agnes Gray
Newry	March 6, 7 p.m.*	Grange Hall
Upton	March 16, 7 p.m.	Schoolhouse
Greenwood	March 25, 10 a.m.	Legion Hall
Gilead	March 25, 7 p.m.	Town Hall
Woodstock	March 27, 7 p.m.	WES

*The Newry Town Meeting will be preceded by a 6 p.m. potluck supper. Bethel's annual Town Meeting is held in June.

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Albany bingo hall:

Tribe is back in court and in the Legislature

Opponents say a large local turnout at upcoming hearing in Augusta is essential to defeating gambling here

By MICHAEL DANIELS

Opponents of a proposed Indian gaming operation in Albany Township did not have long to savor their recent victory in the state's highest court.

They once again find themselves battling the Passamaquoddy Indian Tribe in court, and they will soon be back in Augusta fighting proposed legislation that would allow the tribe to build and operate a high-stakes bingo hall here.

On Feb. 7 the Maine Supreme Court ruled the land the Passamaquoddy Indian Tribe wanted to use for the bingo hall did not qualify as "Indian Territory," and hence could not be used for Indian gaming.

But the tribe quickly responded to the defeat on two fronts: it filed a motion asking the court to stay the decision long enough to allow the tribe to attempt to have the law regarding Indian Territory changed; and it filed an "emergency" bill in

the state Legislature attempting to initiate such a change.

Lawyers representing the opponents responded to the tribe's motion for a stay with counter motions of their own.

Albany attorney Margaret Wille termed the tribe's motion frivolous and a theatrical move intended to lend a sense of false urgency to the tribe's efforts to once again have the Indian Territory law changed.

"The tribe's motion is without precedent or legal authority and is an affront to the public's sense of justice," she wrote in her response to the motion.

Opponents had expected that the tribe would attempt to convince the Legislature to change the law. They had not expected, however, that the move would come so quickly.

A hearing on the tribe's bill has not yet been set, but it could come

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Planners put off vote on Hudson Hill garage plan

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The Bethel Planning Board is not rushing to judgment — at least not to positive judgment — on an application for an auto-repair garage on Hudson Hill.

Following a public hearing on the proposal two weeks ago, the board took up the application again at its regular meeting last week. But rather than vote on the application the planners decided they wanted further input, from the town's attorney and more senior engineers at the Maine Department of Transportation.

The board's reluctance to move forward on the matter extended even to the usually routine matter of finding the application complete.

Chairman Frank Vogt said twice during the meeting that the application was in fact complete and could be dealt with. (Finding the applica-

tion complete merely indicates that all the required paperwork has been submitted; the finding does not commit the board to approving the project.)

"There is no question the application is complete. I think we can certainly do that," said Vogt near the end of the discussion. But when Dennis Doyon made a motion to find the application complete, no hands were raised as seconds, and the motion died.

The slow movement on the application clearly frustrated the applicant, Dwayne Bennett.

Following a meeting with the board on Dec. 8, Bennett said, he had, at the board's suggestion, staked out the proposed driveway entrance on Route 26, in order to help the planners visualize the site.

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Telstar asbestos vote Tuesday

By ALISON ALOISIO

SAD44 voters will go to the polls Tuesday to vote on an asbestos removal project for the Telstar high/middle school complex.

The state has approved a \$242,000 loan to the district for the project. SAD44, however, would only be required to repay the state \$140,554 of that amount over five years, in the form of an interest-free loan. That works out to \$28,400 per year.

The asbestos, in the form of ceiling tiles and thermal insulation around heating pipes, has been in place since Telstar was built 30 years ago.

During that time, wear and tear has resulted in holes in some of the tiles. The district has done little repair work, because of the danger posed by disturbing the tiles further.

Asbestos is a mineral fiber used in the past to strengthen materials and provide fire resistance and heat insulation. If the fibers are disturbed and become airborne, they may be inhaled and remain in the lungs for long periods of time.

There is no known safe exposure to asbestos, according to the American Lung Association. Damage to the lungs can range from scarring to cancer. Workers who deal directly with asbestos as part of their jobs are at highest risk for lung damage.

In addition to the asbestos threat, there is also visible fungi and microbial growth evident on the tiles, possibly contributing to air quality problems.

Work to take place in summer

If the project is approved, the

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Asbestos polling (March 7)

Town	Time	Location
Andover	10 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Town Hall
Bethel	10 a.m. to 8 p.m.	CPS Music Room
Greenwood	10 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Town Office
Newry	10 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Town Office
Woodstock	9 a.m. to 8 p.m.	Town Office

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Letters

SHOW UP, SPEAK UP OR LOSE IT ALL

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter as a resident of Albany who finds the recent request by the Passamaquoddy to stay the decision of the Supreme Court very disconcerting. Albany residents and many others who want to preserve the pristine beauty of this area for future generations to enjoy, have worked tirelessly to educate themselves in the political process to fight turning this same area into a gambling Mecca.

With the help of skilled legal council, as well as the efforts of Albany residents and our friends and neighbors in surrounding communities, we won in the highest courts of Maine, but now that decision would appear in jeopardy.

Now the tribe is trying to circumvent the ruling from the Supreme Court following the example set by the Penobscots last week in asking that they be allowed to submit an emergency bill to the Legislature that would allow the Passamaquoddy Tribe to put unlimited lands into Indian Trust Territory for the next 20 years. That bill, as I write this, is not written, but realistically we should expect it to appear in early March, perhaps as soon as March 8. It is critical that everyone appear at the hearing when it is announced. If no one appears in Augusta, if no one opposes the bill, the tribe wins, we lose, it is that simple.

I ask the Albany residents to watch for the announcement of this hearing and give up a day of work to attend. The legislators need to see the residents, the Judicial Committee needs to put faces with and hear the concerns of Albany residents.

This is not a time for the attorneys or for myself, this is a time when clearly the residents are going to be given a choice, either be seen and be heard or the tribe will win and we lose Albany as we know it.

There will be a meeting at the Albany Town Hall on Sunday, March 5, at 3 p.m. to discuss these issues and arrange transportation for those who need it.

I urge everyone who is concerned about this issue — wherever they may live — to attend.

Dorothy J. Duddy
Albany

THE CRUCIAL MOMENT IS AT HAND

To the Editor:

There will be a meeting this Sunday at the Albany Town Hall to discuss the latest developments in the Passamaquoddy Bingo Hall matter. I urge everyone interested to attend, because we need help now more than ever before. Despite what you may conclude from the news of the favorable decision of the Maine Supreme Court, the case is not over, not by a long shot. The case is still open, there is no final decision, and the whole thing can be appealed again.

The most important development is that the Passamaquoddy Tribe has submitted an "emergency" bill to the Legislature, which is right now being rushed through, to change the Land Claims Settlement Act yet again to make the Albany land "Indian Territory" suitable for Tamir Sapir's high-stakes gambling operation. The only way to stop this is to muster public opposition to the tribe's new bill.

In this entire three-year battle, the most crucial moment has not yet arrived. That moment will be the date of the public hearing in the Legislature, and that date has not yet been announced. Please come to the meeting in the Albany Town Hall at 3 p.m. on Sunday, March 5, to learn how you can help. Thank you.

Jeff Rosenblatt
Albany

WHY NOT PLOW EARLIER?

To the Editor:

After three snowstorms in eight days, the people of Bethel should say a huge "Thank You" to the road crew.

One question: Why does the crew have to wait until 5 a.m. to start snow cleanup? It would seem a 2 or 3 a.m. start would be much better. Earlier hours would be more productive and much safer because of less traffic.

If noise is a problem, maybe backup warning beepers could be shut off for that period of time. Residents of areas to be cleaned could be notified of cleanup times on Channel 4 and plan accordingly, i.e., buy earplugs or play music to cut down on the noise.

Mayville residents do not control what hours planes can take off and land. That is an experience at 4 a.m. Nothing is done about that noise factor.

Everyone wants clean roads and sidewalks, so a little inconvenience isn't really that bad, is it?

One other matter: Ordinances aside, how come concerned citizens didn't object to Viewers Choice blinking lights before they moved to the "right side of the tracks?"

Sheila Daye
Bethel

TIME TO REMOVE THE ASBESTOS

To the Editor:

It is unfortunate that when Telstar High School was built significant amounts of asbestos were used in its construction.

With the assistance of a substantial amount of state money, SAD44 has an opportunity to have a major portion of this asbestos removed. This is a very good opportunity for the taxpayers and the best one we will have. The SAD44 School Board unanimously supports this project and asks that on March 7 our voters do the same.

David Langlois
Chair, SAD44 School Board Finance Committee
Newry

KEEP RECYCLING CLOSE TO THE VILLAGE

To the Editor:

I have heard rumors that the recycling containers will be moved to the dumpsite, and I've also heard people say if it is put there they wouldn't bother to recycle.

Of course, it was about perfect when it was behind the bus garage.

One suggestion could be to move it to the Bethel Station, the land to be leased and adequate fence or such built so it wouldn't be an eye sore.

I believe most people would welcome that solution.

Geraldine S. Howe
Bethel

BETHEL REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

To the Editor:

A reminder to all Bethel Republicans that the party's Presidential Preference Primary will be held on Tuesday, March 7, during the hours of 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the music room at Crescent Park School.

Republicans will be asked to indicate their preference for one of the following candidates: Gary Bauer, George W. Bush, Steve Forbes, Alan Keyes and John McCain. Preferring none, the voter can designate an "uncommitted" status.

At that time, voters will also be asked to take part in the SAD44 referendum on asbestos abatement and/or mediation at the Telstar Regional High School.

The Bethel Republican Town Committee urges all members to participate in this important election year Presidential Preference Primary.

Josiah Drummond
Chair, Bethel Republican Committee

NECKLACE THANKS

To the Editor:

The drawing for the beautiful necklace, designed by Jim Mann for the Bethel Historical Society, was held Valentine's Day evening at a special gathering at the Moses Mason House. Everything was glowing with excitement — the folks who braved the weather to gather around the roaring fire while enjoying the lovely deserts and punch, Jim Mann's exhibit and presentation of "Ground to Gem," and the long-awaited moment to learn the name of the new owner of the necklace — Bethel's Linda Davis.

There had been fun and excitement throughout the months, and the day before, Ruthie's generous community spirit showed when she wore the beautiful piece during her sale.

The real intensity began with the Feb. 3 issue of the Bethel Citizen, with the front-page color reproduction of Eric Schwarz's wonderful photo. It was especially timely and generated a large percentage of the total raffle sales that exceeded \$5,000. We thank The Citizen for its dedication to publicizing community efforts.

Susan Herlihy
Bethel Historical Society Capital Campaign

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION THANKS

To the Editor:

As advisors to the Maine Community Foundation's Oxford County Fund, we would like to express our thanks to all county residents who contributed to the fund's growth in 1999.

Last year, the Oxford County Fund increased by nearly \$73,000, bringing its total value to just under \$115,000. While the Oxford County Fund is still relatively small and only awards \$22,000 a year, we are able to draw upon the other grant-making resources of the Maine Community Foundation so that all worthwhile projects in this county receive some funding.

For example, in 1999 the Maine Community Foundation awarded a total of \$113,117 to students and organizations in Oxford County from the many charitable funds it holds. As the Oxford County Fund grows over time, our ability to make larger grants will increase.

Anyone interested in learning more about the Oxford County Fund and how to apply for funding should visit the Maine Community Foundation web page at www.mainecef.org or call one of us. May 15 is the next deadline for applying for grants.

Oxford County Fund Advisors: Wendy Penley, Lucy Nordahl, Laurie McPherson, Anne Morton, Bethel; Jolan Ippolito, Rumford

Garage

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But some of them had not bothered to make a site walk, he said, and now he was being asked to flag more trees.

"Now we're here 75 days later — I have a problem with that," he said.

But planner Jan Baker (who had asked for the flagging) said that given the time of year, she didn't feel Bennett's plan would be hindered by the board's taking time to gather more information.

"I'm not trying to be obstructionist, she said. "I'm trying to be safe."

The major concern of Baker and the other board members who spoke to the issue last week was the safety of Bennett's proposed driveway entrance.

At the earlier public hearing, MDOT engineer Billy Stowell said the site easily met state requirements, but that assurance did not satisfy all the board members — especially in light of the town's recent experience with the intersection/entrance in front of the Rite Aid.

"In my opinion I feel we should table this issue for the moment because I am gravely concerned about the safety of an entrance to a garage or any other business in that location on that hill, regardless of the fact MDOT assures us it is safe. MDOT assured us the Rite Aid entrance was safe," Baker said. "In

hindsight that was not the case."

Planner Stan Howe agreed, terming the intersection "a nightmare."

"Billy Stowell is a friend of mine, but I wouldn't necessarily believe him in this case," Howe said.

At one point in the discussion Vogt asked Baker to whom the board should turn for further advice.

"That's a question I can't answer," she said.

The board eventually opted to seek further input from Stowell's superior at MDOT.

The board is also asking the town selectmen for permission to consult the town's attorney on a related matter. The board wants the attorney to clarify which set of rules, the state's or the town's, should determine the distance for required sightlines from the driveway entrance.

The road speed limit at the site is 50 miles an hour, and both the town and the state require 500-foot sightlines on roads with that speed limit.

Both also require an additional 250 feet be added in situations where there is significant truck traffic, but their language on this requirement differs.

The truck traffic referred to in the state rules is traffic into and out of the business itself, which does not apparently apply in Bennett's case.

In the town rules, however, the language appears to refer to high-

way traffic passing the driveway entrance, which could apply to Bennett's case.

"I'm concerned about all the school buses that travel that hill every day," Baker said, "and I don't want to have to apologize to some family because we interpreted a rule differently. I think it makes common sense to err on the side of a larger number."

After some discussion, the board agreed to ask the town attorney to sort the matter out.

The question of safety was not the only question with which the board is grappling. There was also some brief discussion regarding the appropriateness of a garage in that otherwise residential setting.

Doyon noted that lots in an abutting subdivision had covenants prohibiting businesses other than home-based professional operations.

But the site where Bennett wants to build has no such covenant, and Vogt noted that in the town's comprehensive plan the area is classified as "residential-commercial."

"We've got to be fair about this," Vogt said. "This is the fact of the matter, whether you or I like it or not."

The board is expected to take the application up at its next meeting, on March 22. It has 60 days from the date of the public hearing (Feb. 17) to make a decision.

Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN BROWN

10 years ago: Gamm II, manufacturer of women's sportswear, closed its plant in the Bethel Industrial Park on the Northwest Bethel Road. The firm had been two years at that location following four years in quarters at Mountain View Mall. Foreign competition was cited as the reason for closing the plant, which employed 48 workers.

Mrs. Nancy Davis resigned as principal of Crescent Park School effective at the close of the school year.

Edward M. Snook of Auburn was appointed as publisher of the Bethel Citizen. Christy Cross, who had previously been affiliated with newspapers in Belfast and Waterville as well as others in the state, was appointed as editor.

A group of 14 foreign students sponsored by the Education Foundation for Foreign Students, who were attending different Maine high schools from Westbrook to Telstar, enjoyed a skiing weekend at Mt. Abram. The students were from 10 countries.

Births: Bailey Elizabeth Davis, Jena Elizabeth Gaudreau, Ashley Rhonda Brown, Joselyn Zoe Riess.

Deaths: Fred N. Raymond, Freeman Merrill Jr., Marshall Smith, Ellsworth "Root" Lawrence.

20 years ago: Works of local artists as well as craft demonstrations were featured at the Bethel Historical Society's sixth annual Heritage Day.

Tony Butters, first, Scott Kersey, second and Pete Meindyke, third, were winners in the Heritage Day pie-eating contest. Other participants were David Kersey, Scott Hilyard, Andrew Kausch and David Boudreau.

Twenty-seven turned out for the Maine Cup Race at the Sunday River Ski Touring Center. The race was the first able to be held at the center during the 1979-80 season due to snow conditions and was the final event of Bethel Winter Carnival Week.

R. Donald Twitchell, Democrat, of Norway announced that he would be seeking re-election to the District 66 seat in the State House of Representatives.

Married: Jeffery Smith and Linda Rosebery.

Death: Winifred B. Hanscom.

30 years ago: Mrs. Julie Daye was a candidate for the office of selectman in Newry.

Edgar Bailey III was chosen to participate in the 1970 session of A Presidential Classroom for Young Americans in Washington, D.C. Bailey, the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Edgar M. Bailey Jr. (Ruth Judkins, Upton) of Rangeley, was a junior at Gould Academy.

Sally Rice, a senior at Telstar Regional High School, was crowned queen of the school's winter carnival.

Married: Andrew Boyd Bartlett and Kathy Jean Hamel, Theron Rollins Clough and Barbara Jean Kimball, Wayne Morton and Marilyn June White, Robert A. Bolduc and Victoria Ann Michaud.

Death: Joseph F. Harrington.

40 years ago: Over 200 parents and children attended the annual Blue and Gold Banquet of Cub Scout Pack 165 at the West Parish Church.

The Locke Mills Parent Teacher Group was "master-minding" a program to be held at the Greenwood Town Hall. Students from the Greenwood City School were to portray conservative New Englanders while the Locke Mills schoolchildren were to do another segment of American life.

Births: Randy Lee Deanis, Lee Ann Burnham, Susan Mary Packard.

Deaths: Frank McAllister, Constance D. Alger.

50 years ago: The plant of the E.L. Tebbets Spool Co. in Locke Mills was destroyed in a Sunday evening fire. Loss was estimated at \$250,000. Edward Chase and Robert Mason were hospitalized suffering with face and hand burns. Julius Robinson was taken to his home with injuries. All three were in the mill's boiler room when the fire started.

J. Maynard Austin of Bethel was appointed as acting town manager of Houlton.

Marlene Anderson of Bethel was queen of the annual Gould Academy Winter Carnival.

Death: Hattie Springer, Dellison Conroy.

100 years ago: Dr. Sturdivant closed his office in Bethel and opened one in Brunswick.

The Federation of Clubs met with the Methodist Church.

The winter term closed at Gould Academy, for two weeks.

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THE DRIVEWAY PROPOSED BY DWAYNE BENNETT would come out on to Route 26 approximately 20 feet above (east of) where the large trees begin again (right center). In December Bennett staked the entry point, but some Planning Board members did not inspect the site, he said, and now he is being asked to flag the trees he plans to cut to increase the sight distance, and flag the proposed site of the garage.

(Photo by Michael Daniels)

Briefly

Towns writing MDOT about 219

WEST PARIS—Selectman Jim Marshall said last week he has received letters regarding the need to rebuild Route 219 from all but one of the towns along the road. A Route 219 Corridor Committee was formed last year as a result of a recommendation from MDOT commissioner John Melrose. Melrose asked that residents categorize work that needs to be done and report findings to the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee. One of the first recommendations from the Corridor Committee was that the towns write MDOT. Route 219 is a major connector road to routes 26 and 4, and is a major connecting road between Augusta and the Bethel/Oxford Hills areas.

Waterford voting this weekend

WATERFORD—Waterford voters will go to the voting booth Friday and Town Meeting Saturday. Incumbent selectman Vance Jordan is running unopposed for his seat, and no one has submitted papers to run for a SAD17 School Board position. The seat will be vacated by current director Paul Legare. A write-in candidate, Cynthia Hamlin, has agreed to enter her name in the voting, according to Town Clerk Brenda Bigonski. The town's municipal budget is proposed at \$711,462, up \$30,008 from 1999.

SAD17 considers \$1 million increase

OXFORD—SAD17 directors will consider a proposed school budget that represents a little more than a \$1 million increase in the current year's spending. It also includes increased local support that could bring the total to \$26.8 million overall. An increase of \$42,781 in local funding is needed to continue the basic budget. An increase of \$301,781 would cover capital improvement projects and other increases proposed by the administration.

Skier sues Sugarloaf

FARMINGTON—Sugarloaf/USA and its ski school are being sued by a woman who claims she was injured during a ski lesson three years ago. Cheryl Dorman of South Yarmouth, Mass., filed the suit in Franklin Superior Court. She said she injured her knee in a fall on the White Nitro trail, reported to be one of the steepest trails in New England. The resort is not commenting on the suit. Dorman alleges that by bringing the students down a trail they were not capable of skiing, the ski instructor failed to provide reasonable instruction. The suit also claims that the instructor did not warn the students adequately about the difficulty of the trail. Sugarloaf is charged with inadequately training its Perfect Turn instructors. Dorman is asking for an unspecified sum to cover her injuries, lost wages and expenses.

Champion to charge rec fees

WEST STEWARTSTOWN, N.H.—The Champion International Corp. plans to charge recreational fees for vehicular use on its logging roads. Walk-in day public use of the land will still be allowed, according to the company. Champion also plans to develop a controlled ATV system on about 40 miles of old gravel roads. The company owns 171,000 acres. Champion has also asked the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests for help with an exploration of the benefits of placing a conservation easement on the land. An easement would prohibit future development and ensure ongoing timber-based management.

Fuel assistance expanded

PARIS—Community Concepts announced last week the expansion of fuel assistance benefits, in response to very high fuel costs. Under the expanded rules, a family of four earning up to \$25,390 a year is eligible for assistance. The income ceiling is well beyond the old eligibility level and is intended to assist moderate-income families. Appointments for assistance may be made by calling 743-7716 in Oxford County or 364-3721 in the Rumford area. Anyone who has received a fuel assistance benefit since October 1999 does not need to call for an appointment.

Missoula auditions Monday

BETHEL—Auditions for the Missoula Children's Theatre production of Beauty and the Beast will take place Monday, March 6, at the Crescent Park Elementary School from 3 to 5 p.m. Among the roles to be cast are Beauty and her sisters, Dusty and Slim the farmhands, Fleabite Clyde the dog, the Country Folk and the Barnyard Critters. Students from kindergarten through grade 5 are encouraged to audition. Assistant directors will also be cast to aid in rehearsals and to take on essential backstage responsibilities. A choral group will also organize at the time of the auditions. The show will be presented on Saturday, March 11 at the Crescent Park Elementary School. The production is presented locally by the Andover, CPS and Woodstock parent-teacher groups with support from the Mahoosuc Arts Council.

SCORE workshops scheduled

PARIS—The Oxford Hills chapter of SCORE has scheduled a series of workshops in business planning, marketing, cash flow projection, and financing a small business. The workshops will take place in four sessions, on March 1, 8, 15 and 22 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Norway Town Office on 26 Danforth Street. The total cost is \$40 per participant.

Forest petition okayed

AUGUSTA—A proposal to restrict forest cutting passed a crucial test Monday to be included on next November's referendum ballot, along with at least two other citizen-initiated questions that have already been approved. State election officials said a sufficient number of voter signatures has been submitted to send the timber-harvesting bill to the Legislature. If lawmakers refuse to pass the citizen-initiated bill, it will be included on the fall ballot. The proposal, backed by conservation activists who formed the Forest For the Future Campaign, would require state permits for any clearcutting. It would also keep the owners of land with a tree-growth tax designation from cutting trees faster than they grow. Campaign supporter Jonathan Carter said he hoped lawmakers would consider passing what he described as a "reasonable, moderate proposal" in order to avoid a divisive referendum campaign. In 1996, Maine voters rejected an initiated proposal to ban clearcutting and set other rules for logging.

Wildlife activities produce \$1.1 billion

AUGUSTA—Fishing, hunting and wildlife watching produced \$1.1 billion in economic output in Maine in 1996, supporting 17,680 jobs and \$68 million in state tax revenues, a report by the University of Maine Department of Resource Economics and Policy said. Other figures cited in "Watching Out for Maine's Wildlife," which was released by the Maine Audubon Society: The study found 53 percent of Maine residents 16 and older participated in a wildlife-related activity in 1996. Only three states, Alaska, Montana and Idaho, have higher rates. Wildlife participants spent an average of \$703 per person in 1996, 29 percent higher than the national average. Hunting license sales declined in Maine from 258,587 in 1982 to 229,654 in 1998. Maine's fishing decline also mirrors national trend. Among other outdoor activities, national figures show a 93 percent increase in hiking between 1982 and 1995, 59 percent for downhill skiing, 58 percent for primitive-area camping, 44 percent for off-road driving, and 40 percent for motorboating.

Market needs sellers

NORWAY—The Norway Farmer's Market has a few openings left for the 2000 season. Especially needed are bakers and small fruit growers. The market is located on Main Street, Norway and is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays, beginning May 19 and continuing through October. For more information call (800)287-1482.

From the Bethel Police Log:

Lack of license doesn't stop them

At 12:40 a.m. on Feb. 22 a subject was stopped for a stop sign violation on the Sunday River Road. It was found she did not have a license. Kellie Jean Vuocolo, 35, of Naples was given a summons for the offenses.

Wednesday, Feb. 23

At 11:25 p.m. police stopped a vehicle for speeding on Route 26. It was found the driver's license had expired in November. Judith Cummings, 32, was summonsed.

Thursday, Feb. 24

At 1:40 a.m. police observed a vehicle driving in an erratic manner on Route 2 east. The vehicle went left of the center line four times in less than half a mile. The officer stopped it. The officer administered field sobriety tests, all of which the driver failed. She was then brought to the Bethel Police Department and given an intoxilizer test. Elaine M. Lawler, 45, was then given a summons.

Friday, Feb. 25

At 12:45 a.m. police were dispatched to Newry to assist a deputy with a domestic disturbance. The deputy was enroute from Jay. Sunday River Security had advised they heard a disturbance coming from a house. The officer spoke with an intoxicated female resident, who said everything was all right. She said there had been an altercation between two men and everyone left the scene prior to the officer's arrival. The deputy was advised not to respond.

Sunday, Feb. 27

At 1 a.m. police stopped a subject for erratic operation on Route 2. The driver showed signs of intoxication and was given several field sobriety tests. William J. Marden, 57, of Nahant, Mass., was arrested for OUI. He initially refused a breath test but after arrival at the Oxford County Jail he changed his mind. He was given the test and a summons.

At 11:45 p.m. a subject was stopped on the Parkway for an expired inspection sticker. A check showed his license was under suspension for failure to appear. Keith B. Testani, 26, was issued summonses for the offenses.

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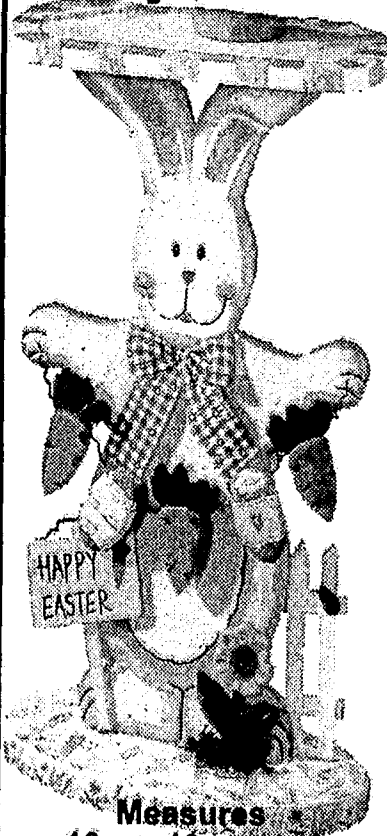
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West Paris

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for Old Home Days. The budget committee, however, is asking for \$2,200 and \$750 respectively.

Both proposals are major reductions from this year's department and social service request which came in at \$611,172.

As the people wade through the 72-article document, the selectmen expect five articles will raise considerable discussion, with three of those expected to be quite controversial.

The first is an article asking the voters if they wish to adopt the town manager form of government and to change the positions of tax collector, treasurer, general assistance administrators and road commissioner from elected positions to appointed positions.

The change would become effective after the 2001 annual Town Meeting.

The only exceptions would be the road commissioner, who will be elected this year for a three-year term and will serve the full term through March of 2003.

The second article expected to generate discussion asks the voters to approve appropriating \$35,000 from the capital reserve account

and up to \$38,000 from the 2000 excise taxes for the purchase of a new truck for the highway department. The item specifically states that the total purchase price not exceed \$73,000 and no extra tax money be raised.

Articles of this kind have historically drawn considerable opposition.

The third issue asks the voters to authorize the selectmen to assist the trustees of the Arthur L. Mann Memorial Library and the town's library building committee with plans to expand the current library or plans for a new facility.

A new facility would be located on town-owned land and adjacent to the town office or on any other location found to be suitable for the new structure.

The selectmen and budget committee are recommending that the purchase of a highway truck pass, but they are not taking a stand at this time regarding the governmental change or the library.

Municipal elections will also be held and for the first time in several years two races are being up.

The first race is for a three-year selectman's seat being vacated by

current board chairman Wade Rainey, who has decided not to seek a fifth term. Three candidates have announced that they are running, including Harlan Abbott, Dale Pirainen and Ron Boutillier.

The second contest is for a three-year term as road commissioner. Current commissioner Willard "Bill" Keach will be opposed by Fire Chief Craig Moore.

Three other positions will be decided. They include the office of town clerk, a school director of SAD17 and a trustee for the West Paris Water District.

For town clerk, incumbent Dian Stimson is running for another term, and as far as is known at this time she will be running unopposed.

The school board opening is up in the air, as no one has come forward to announce they are running.

For Water District trustee, current and long-time trustee Philip Edmunds will also be running unopposed.

The list of candidates, however, could be longer at the last minute, as traditionally nominations are taken from the floor of the assembly during the meeting.

Andover

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David Belanger.

Spaulding also said she expects write-in votes for Gammon, even though she's not a candidate. "I think there's going to be some," said Spaulding. "She's done a really good job." Elections will take place Tuesday, March 7.

In another contest, Road Commissioner Marshall Meisner will be challenged for his position by Richard Woodward.

Candidates for the remaining positions are unopposed. Running again are school director Sid Pew, Spaulding and Fire Chief Ken Dixon. Trudy Akers is running for the selectman's seat being vacated by Richard Plantier.

Budget up some

Voters will consider \$495,000 worth of municipal budget items at the Town Meeting, which begins at 8 a.m. at the Town Hall.

That figure, said Plantier, is up only a little from last year, although he did not have the specific 1999 total available.

The largest single increase, he said, stems from approval two years ago of a road improvement project. The first payment on a loan associated with the work is due this April. Selectmen are recommending \$45,000 be raised from taxes and \$20,000 from excise tax revenue.

Selectmen are also recommending the town approve \$10,000 as its share of a Community Development Block Grant application,

which, if approved, would allow the purchase of new self-contained breathing apparatus units for the Fire Department. The grant would provide \$40,000, Plantier said.

The units would enable the department to comply with OSHA standards.

Also recommended is \$17,000 for a replacement booster tank for Fire Engine 2. The tank has been patched in the past, but said Plantier, "Band Aids are not going to do it any more."

Selectmen are also recommending the town set up a Fire Truck Account with \$10,000, to begin putting money aside for future truck purchases.

Stoney Brook, town manager

The question of whether to purchase the Stoney Brook Reservoir property, the former location of the Andover Water District water supply, will also be considered. The town has first refusal on purchase of the 74.5-acre parcel. AWD officials said the district must get at least \$55,000 to pay off the cost of the land.

Plantier hasn't heard of any support for the purchase, however. "I've heard virtually no interest," he said.

Voters will also consider -- again -- the question of a town manager form of government. The issue has been the subject of off-and-on study and debate in recent years, usually with inconclusive results.

This year's proposal calls for the

selectmen to actually consider resumes and possibly interview potential town manager candidates, according to Plantier. Such a process, he said, is intended to gather as much solid information, including cost, as possible about having a town manager.

If voters approve such a plan, a special Town Meeting would take place in September to vote on the town manager form of government.

If serious candidates came forward in the process, said Plantier, they would do so with the understanding that possible hiring would not take place until later.

Plantier, however, said he did not think there is currently much interest in going to a manager-style government. At a hearing on the subject last month, residents showed some interest in hiring an administrative assistant, but not a manager. The hearing concluded a process in which a committee gathered general information regarding the issue.

Other items to be voted on Saturday include money for a swing set to be placed at either the Grimaldi property or the ball field, and \$500 to place a granite Civil War memorial on the common.

A historical society member recently brought forth a list of about 20 Civil War veterans from Andover, prompting the selectmen's recommendation that townspeople approve a monument.

Bingo

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as early as Wednesday, March 8, and opponents are scrambling to ensure that as many people as possible from this area turn out for the hearing and oppose the bill.

In the years prior to Indian gaming becoming an issue here, the tribe, without much public notice, successfully convinced the Legislature on a number of occasions to expand Indian land-acquisition and gaming rights.

However, once people from this area woke to the bingo-hall issue and began to involve themselves in the legislative process, at least two tribal efforts were thwarted.

Opponents are now banking on

the ability of residents here to convince the Legislature's Judiciary Committee to reject the latest proposal.

Jeff Rosenblatt, a second Albany attorney battling the bingo-hall plan, terms the upcoming hearing "the most crucial moment" in the three-year effort to battle the bingo hall plan.

If the plan is not stopped now, opponents argue, it will only be a matter of time until the tribe is operating not a part-time bingo hall, but a full-scale, year-round casino here.

This has been the pattern across the country, and it is an option the

Passamaquoddy have actively explored, according to documents in a related court case and to the contract between the tribe and its financier.

Local opposition to the bingo plan is being organized by the Albany Improvement Association, which has scheduled a public meeting for Sunday, March 5 at 3 p.m. at the Albany Town Hall. All are invited.

For further information on Sunday's meeting, or for updates on the Judiciary Committee hearing schedule, call Dave or Norma Salway at 824-2305 or Doty Duddy at 527-2138.

Asbestos

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work would likely be done in two phases over the next two summers, according to Bruce Powell, district business manager.

The district has already accepted a bid of \$157,150 from New Meadows Abatement Inc. for this summer's portion of the project, contingent on voter approval.

Powell described the funding package as "a super deal. There'll never be a better one."

Some asbestos work has already taken place at Telstar, during last week's vacation. Ceiling tiles were removed from the upper high school wing. The funding came out of SAD44's \$57,443 share of an award that resulted from a class action lawsuit by school districts against asbestos companies.

Newry

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\$122,186 in the account.

Voters will also consider whether to pay \$4,800 as Newry's share of a proposed regional bus transit project. Future annual shares are estimated at \$8,000, \$8,240 and \$8,487.

The transit proposal is part of a larger project planned jointly with Bethel. It would serve both residents and seasonal visitors to the area.

Road work

Also proposed in the budget is \$50,000 for the Highway Capital Improvement Account. The money would be used with the \$63,000 already in the account to be available for improvements to the Branch Road.

Another \$33,000 is proposed for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the Sunday River Road. The amount is the balance of the town's

25 percent share in the project. Sunday River Ski Resort and the state will pay the rest. The same amount of money was raised last year toward the project.

The large Solid Waste Account is proposed at \$129,787, compared to 1999's \$125,790.

If all articles are approved, selectmen estimate the mill rate would increase by one-third mil. The current rate is 10.3 mils. That does not include the town's share of the county or school budget.

Selectman Bill Wight's seat is up for election this year, and he is expected to run again. No one else has indicated interest in the position.

The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Bear River Grange Hall. A potluck supper will precede the meeting at 6 p.m., in the downstairs area of the Grange.

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Bethel



by Virginia Keniston
Pat Carter has had Rotator Cuff repair work done on her shoulder. Mary Angevine fell and broke her hip. She is at Stephens Memorial Hospital in Norway.

Guests of Peter and Lisa Roth this past week were brothers Stephen and Kat Roth of Stamford, Conn., and Greg and Kath Roth of Brewster, N.Y.

Candy Bennett Lemay and daughter, Gabrielle, of Old Orchard Beach visited three days with her sister and brother-in-law, Freda and Lonnie Davis.

Blake and Rachel MacKay have returned from visiting Mary and Carlos Pita and sons, Kyle and Brandon, in East Hartford, Conn.

Mike and Sandra MacKay Robinson and four children of Amsterdam, N.Y., visited three days with Rachel and Blake MacKay.

Frank Belisle is at home from the hospital in Berlin, N.H., and is recovering nicely.

The Bethel House

by Ruth Cummings

Pastor Rick's message Sunday was "Dads, Lads and Girls, too." Lacy Phillips spoke on her planned trip to Honduras in the spring. Pastor Rick played his guitar when the hymns and choruses were sung. Andrea Bennett and Lacy Phillips went down front to lead in the choruses. A coffee hour was enjoyed after church.

We certainly have a wonderful group at the Bethel Alliance. If it were not for so many nice people, Lillian Machia and I would be unable to attend church. Drew Webster gave us a ride to church on Sunday and JoAnn Sawyer gave us a ride home.

Judy Webster went to be with her daughter and family, as Larsen had his ruptured appendix removed on Friday. Drew went down to his daughter's right after church on Sunday.

Brian Cook and KC Denton of



HELPING HANDS
Several adult volunteers make the trip from Norway to Bethel each week to check and sort clothing donated to the District Exchange. The volunteers are from the Landmark Program, a nonprofit day program for disabled adults. Shown here are (from left) Lorraine Mailhot, Erlin Cort, Landmark direct care worker Kathy Constantino and Floyd Parker.

(Photo by Alison Aloisto)

PMV Coastal were at the Bethel House recently doing maintenance work.

Doug and Bertha Grover were at the Bethel House on Tuesday tending to our walks.

Rebecca Ricker went to a meeting at Market Square Health Care Center on Friday and she also visited with Mildred Newell.

Becky Cummings stopped by on her way to work one morning and left me some delicious homemade chicken rice soup.

Vada Glover spent the day with me Tuesday. She took me to the store. We had a lovely dinner at Frozen Logger and of course we played cribbage. She won more games than I did and gained three games on me. Now with a total of 95 games for 2000, I am only one ahead.

When a mother returned from the grocery store, she gave her small son a box of animal crackers. He opened the box and dumped them all out on the table. His mother asked why he did that and he re-

plied, "It says do not eat if seal is broken."

A policeman arrived at the scene of an accident where a car had smashed into a tree. He said to the occupant, "Are you seriously hurt?" The man replied, "I do not know, I am not a lawyer."

East Bethel



by Nancy Mercer
Jarrod Crockett will be going to Alaska after he finishes Ranger training in Georgia.

Jim and Donna Bernard of Andover, with two grandchildren, visited Polly Smith recently.

Polly Smith visited June Andrews on Feb. 27 in South Paris and had dinner with her.

Jack and Lucy Nordahl's daughter, Ellen, and her two sons, Keaton and Milo, of Groton, Mass., visited

last week. They all enjoyed cross-country skiing. Ellen and children returned home on Feb. 26.

Eric Hastings and sons of Redding, Mass., visited Sonny and Bettyann Hastings recently.

David and Becky Delka and children of Shrewsbury, Mass., visited at the Hastings Farm recently.

The snow has been going fast with the warm air this past week.

hear the blue jay call.

The evergreens wear mantles of white. Shadows move on the recent snow. The icicles shed their tears from the eaves.

Winter brings days when the light is peculiarly intense, days when the hills at the far side of the valley seem close.

It is good to stand and listen to the hushed murmuring of the evergreen trees.

The ice fishermen have been trying their luck at ice-fishing this last week.

David and Sally were at the farm for dinner with us on Sunday. Robert came on Monday for the day to visit his parents. He also visited with me.

This last week has been hard for me because I have found it difficult to walk. An x-ray has been no help at this time.

School children are happy with a vacation this week. I'm sure the teachers are, too.

Several of Rena's children came to visit her last week.

Greenwood City



by Colista Morgan

Today, gray shades hang low; the voice of cold can be heard. There are cracklings along the

pond's edge. The noise of a woodsman's ax from across the pond and a dog's bark bring a lonesome sound in the shadowy day. The chickadees chant their refrains less often. Only occasionally do I

Colista Injured

Colista will be laid up the next six to eight weeks due to a fall in which she seriously injured her back. She would enjoy receiving cards and letters at 1604 Greenwood Road, Greenwood, ME 04255.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt
Patch the Pirate Club and Little Adventurers meet every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Baptist

Church. Also at 6:30 p.m. is the adults' prayer meeting. Looking ahead to March 12 -- Evangelist William Jeffcoat and his family will be ministering in music and the word at the Baptist Church.

Franklin Grange 124 will meet on Monday, March 6, with a 6 p.m. potluck supper. The meeting will follow with instruction and St. Patrick's Day program. Remember your raisin bars for the contest and money for the February fundraiser.

Joseph and Maggie Hoyt visited their dad, James Hoyt, from Tuesday to Sunday during vacation.

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Upton



by Eleanor LeComte

What a weekend. It was hard to believe that it was the end of February. The warm weather was great for snowmobiling on Saturday, but Sunday was less than good with mushy, watery snow. The raccoons came out of hiding and interrupted traffic on Route 26 at midday. The poor beasts must have been pretty confused on awakening from the long winter nap.

Monday morning presented another problem with the loss of power. The washing machine wouldn't run and the coffee got cold. The spring rains came a month early resulting in the melting of a lot of snow. Load limits have been posted on Route 26. Now, don't get "faked out." It still is three weeks till the first day of spring. There is still a lot of winter left, but wasn't it nice to feel the warm air and not listen to the oil furnace run incessantly.

Larry Nelson recently returned from a snowmobile venture in Canada. That's his good news. The bad news was the trip home, with freezing rain, snow, sleet and the worst driving conditions imaginable. Upton looked mighty good to him as he drove into town.

School vacation week brought many visitors to the town. Weekends bring the "nightriders" to the Lake. We can see lights up the Lake at very late hours. There is a noted confusion about them. Some of them are lost. Lake Umbagog is a poor place for night riding. There is always thin ice and open water at the confluence of the rivers up-lake. Disorientation in that location is not unusual. Snowmobiles have a bad history of riding into cold water. Every so often in the wee hours there is a knock on the door with a rider presenting himself. A few years back we encountered one who wanted us to call a taxi to take him to Poontook. His party was waiting at the public landing in Cambridge in subzero weather, out of gas. They didn't have a clue as to where they were located. It didn't end in disaster but the ingredients were there.

The Town Report has gone to press. It will be printed by Michael

Tivey of Errol. The book will be larger in size making it a lot easier to read. This year's report will be dedicated to Elsie Fuller. She always was the first recipient of the report and went over it with a fine-tooth comb looking for errors. Elsie also made it a point of being the first person to pay her taxes each year. She is missed by all of us.

The bird population didn't seem to be affected by the weather. We haven't seen any returning yet. We still have the same old feathered friends. The gray jays and blue jays present themselves at the window at noon each day looking for a handout. They know it's lunch time and demand that you pay attention. Their plumage is beautiful against the snow and they sure are noisy. A large brown colored owl has been seen on the wires on Route 26 at Mountain Pond Road.

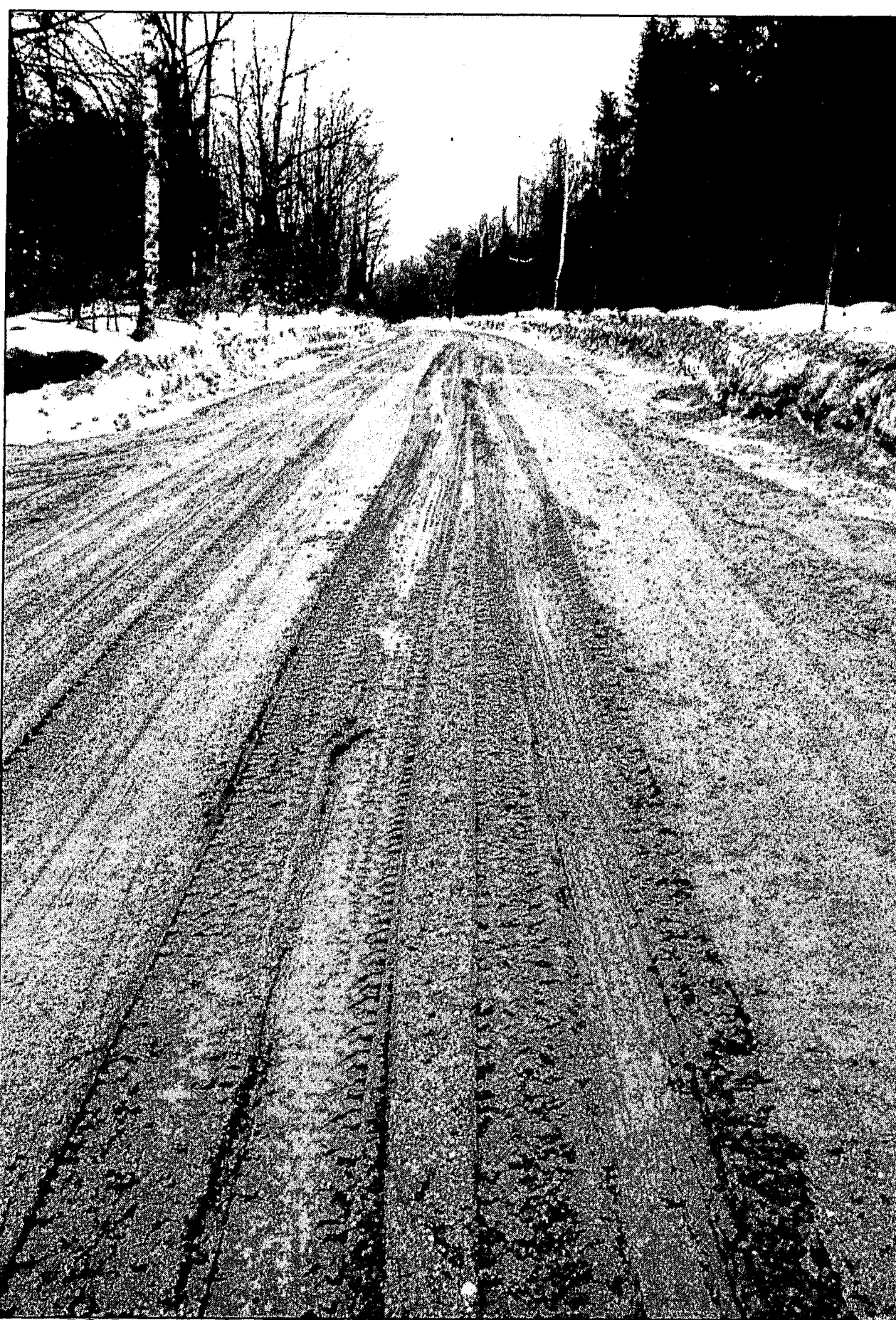
The Town Office will be closed from March 21 to March 28. Town Clerk Walter Stanczyk will be heading south for a few days to join up with his Navy "buddies" for a reunion of the USS Iwo Jima. Liz, his wife, hopes this will cure his cabin fever. She plans to stay home, not cook or clean and in general, "do nothing." She will begin her retirement from the Balsams at the same time, and has earned the right to stagnate for a while. Good luck to a lady who has worked faithfully and hard for a good many years.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing

Vera Buck is a patient at the nursing home. There was a large gathering for the burial services for Pearl Cox Bowman this past week. She was buried in the South Woodstock Cemetery. Laurie Cox and Samantha Cox paid us a visit recently. Samantha is working and doing well at her job. Laurie just finished the personal care assistant program (PCA). Mrs. Frank Fraser had an operation on her knee and is now home. We wish her a full and speedy recovery. Mrs. Fraser lives at the former Olive Davis farm. Ellsworth Hathaway underwent minor surgery recently and is nearly recovered. I baby-sat Zachary Lynch last



IT'S THAT MUDDY TIME OF YEAR AGAIN, at least for those of us living off the paved way. (Photo: M. Daniels)

Thursday. He is now about 11 months old and a real handful. He was very good and a lot of fun. He's my great-grandson.

March birthdays being celebrated this month are: Derek Leonard, Mary Ellen Hadley, Jim Mielon, Harold Wilbur, Patty Thurlow, Patty Poland, Leslie Thurlow, Darcy Robertson and Phil Merrill. A very special birthday wish to my granddaughter, Jessie Hart. Congrats to all of you.

Anniversaries being celebrated in March are Mr. and Mrs. Roger Wilday and Richard and Andrea Wing. Extra special anniversary congratulations to Phelps and Joan Poland who have been married 50 years March 11.

Larry Billings, curator of the Woodstock Historical Society, reports that the February meeting of the society featured a video on the influence of the sea in Maine. Mary Billings gave the research report. Apple roses from Annella Burnham graced the refreshment table. Members were glad to see Ruth Cox back after her operation. The March meeting will be a Civil War trivia test. The society has contacts with a couple of people very prominent in the field of historical preservation. This is helpful when Curator Billings wants someone to contact.

Quote of the Week: "I've learned that nothing is more responsible for the good old days than a bad memory."

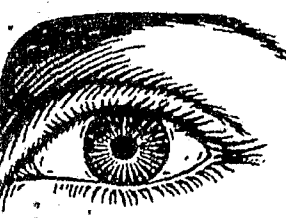
Andover



by Joan Stinson Carney

My friend, Joshua A. Rainey, proudly announces the birth of his brother, Jacob A. Rainey. Jacob was born on Feb. 23. His mother and father are Tracey and Jeff Rainey and his maternal grandparents are Madeline and Ron Wells, all residing in Andover. His paternal grandparents are Susan and the late Arnie Rainey. Joshua, I know, will be the best big brother any little brother can ever have. Congratulations, Josh.

I wish my grandparents were alive today. They would be so proud to know that their great-granddaughter Mandy Davis has been accepted at UMF for the



The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

I'm one of those people who always seem to lose things, car keys, eyeglasses, telephone number, and my purse. You name it and I've probably lost it, but out of all the things I've lost, I miss my memory the most.

Seriously, I used to have a great memory. I used to remember all the important dates in history. I never had any trouble recalling names even if I barely knew the person. Friends and family could always count on me to remember birthdays and anniversaries. I was the one people depended on to remember all the important things. Now I can't even begin to remember all the things I have forgotten.

In the last 10 years or so, I have gone from a person with a very sharp memory to a little absent minded to somewhat forgetful to can't remember anything. I now refer to my memory in the past tense.

Sometimes people will come up to me and apologize for something they said or did or thank me for something I said or did. I usually just say, "Ah, forget it," because chances are I have.

What really drives me crazy when I try to remember something, is knowing that it's floating somewhere in my brain. I can feel it there, I can almost pull it out, it's right on the tip of my tongue, but then I forget what it is that I'm trying to remember.

It really annoys me when I encounter someone who starts a conversation with me and I know I know them just as well as I know my best friend, but I can't for the life of me figure out who they are. I keep hoping for a clue in the conversation that will spark my memory and pray that they don't ask a question that I would know the answer to if only I could remember who they are.

I was starting to feel like there was something very wrong with me because of all these memory lapses until a very dear friend of mine, who's name I can't remem-

ber, told me she was concerned for her mental health because she was having a real memory problem. Let me tell you, it makes it really hard when two old friends get together and start to reminisce about old times, but neither can remember any.

Anyway, now where was I? Oh, yeah, it hit me that if she, being about the same age as me was having trouble with her memory too, maybe there was nothing wrong with either one of us. Maybe it's this aging business!

I've already accepted the fact that I'm not as young as I used to be, nor as quick and agile as I once was and if I try to be it's going to hurt. I've conceded to the fact that my eyesight isn't as keen as it used to be and I should probably wear my glasses most of the time if only I could remember where I put them most of the time. I know my body will never regain the shape it once had, but I had never considered that my brain, that trusty dictator of my thought process, would age right along with the rest of me.

The idea of my gray matter getting old and gray prompted me to check the medical books to find out how much time I had left to remember who I am. I was very much surprised at what I read; that is what I can remember of it.

Now, let's see...oh yeah, as it turns out, the cerebral function outlasts everything else, which doesn't give me a great deal of comfort when I consider how rapidly everything else seems to be diminishing. Sight, hearing, taste and one's sense of smell all fall by the wayside long before the brain checks out. Even if we lived long enough to lose all our senses we would still be able to think; if only we could remember what we wanted to think about. Now that is a great comfort.

According to those in the know, the average IQ is the best it's ever going to get by our late teens, and then it starts to drop as the brain starts to shrink. That explains why

at the age of 17 I knew all the answers to everything and now I can't even remember the questions.

Interestingly, extroverted people don't lose their memory quite as rapidly as introverted people. Maybe I should have been more of a social butterfly than I was. But being a gadabout would have only helped a little. Apparently everyone starts losing short-term memory around 30 years old and the decline continues from there.

The good news is that by the age of 60 (I have several years to go, thank you very much), one has four times the information stored in the brain than they did at 21. The bad news is that they can't remember most of it. The mixed news is that menopausal women lose their memory a little younger than men, but they regain some of it after menopause whereas men, once they lose it, it's gone!

So there we are, in our old age with more facts in our head than an encyclopedia and we can't remember how to get to it. The fault of that however, lies with the rest of the body going to pot and is no fault of the brain, i.e. the heart slows down and less blood and oxygen gets to the brain.

As if to make up for the memory loss, the brain does become more active with age. For example, an infant sleeps an average of 20 hours a day. Then the sleep requirement drops to 13 hours, and then 9 hours as a teenager in spite of the fact they seem to be able to sleep around the clock. Then we only need about 6 hours of sleep by age 40 and 5 hours or less by the time we reach 65.

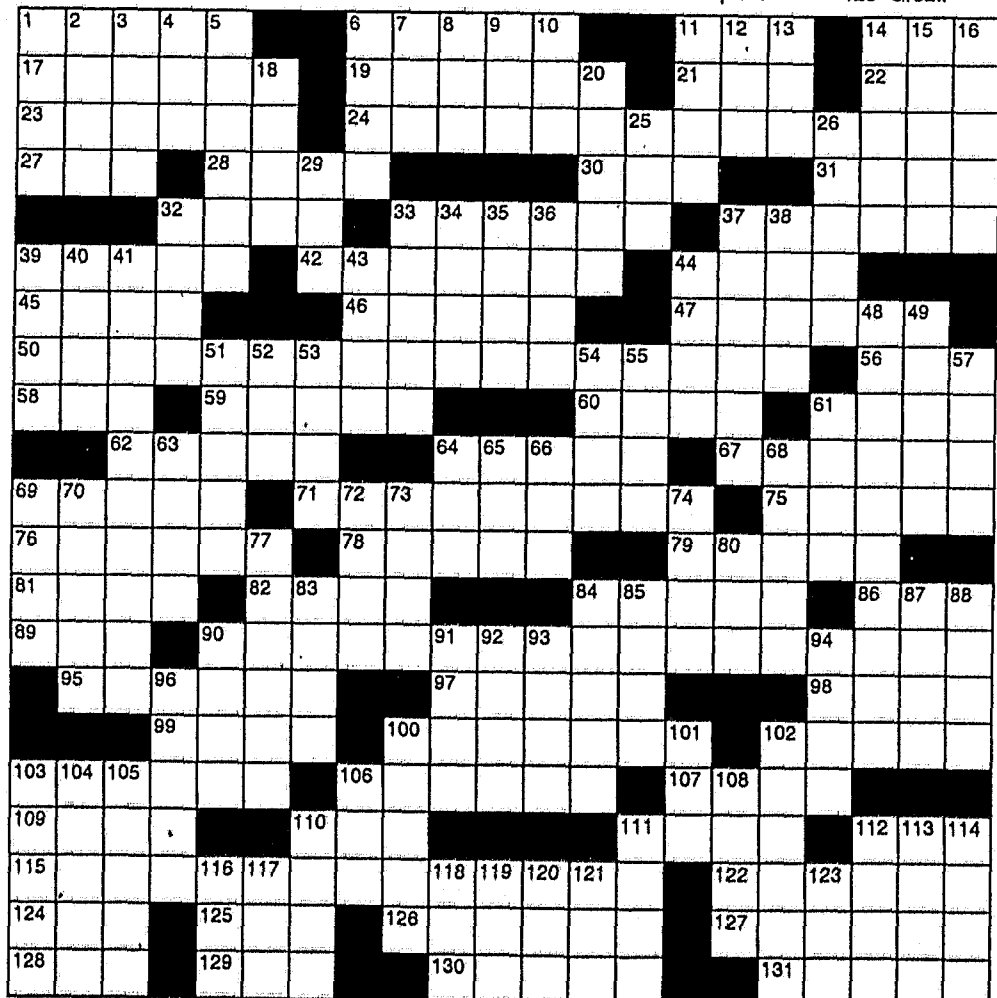
It may be our body's way of telling us when we get older to ease up on the sleep and spend more time enjoying life.

I'm glad I read up on this subject because it's a relief to know that when I hide Christmas presents and can't remember where I put them, it is a natural process that everyone experiences sooner or later. I really do feel better knowing when I can't remember someone's name, there is a chance they can't remember mine either.

The way I see it...now, what was I talking about?

Super Crossword

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| ACROSS | 59 TV's "The Limits" | 106 Free tickets | 10 Word with carpet or cabbage | 51 Subject matter | 92 Corporate clasher |
| 1 Plot | 60 Animosity | 107 Pavarotti piece | 11 Racing legend | 52 "Ben—" ("59 film) | 93 Bank statistic |
| 6 Philanthropist | 61 Nimble proof | 108 Third-rate | 12 Boxing legend | 53 School founded by Henry VI | 94 Big bird |
| 11 Send out a page | 64 Be buoyant | 110 Halloween decoration | 13 Makes one's mark | 54 Siamese cat | 96 Indira Gandhi's father |
| 14 Highlander's headgear | 67 Hindu duty | 111 Yogi or Smokey | 14 Resort lake | 55 Fill to the gills | 100 Enjoy the beach |
| 17 Vision-related | 69 Word form for "milk" | 112 Political abbr. | 15 Pile up | 57 Actress | 101 Sea |
| 19 Likes a lot | 75 City on the Allegheny | 115 End of remark | 16 Lusterless | 58 Cannon | 102 Down |
| 21 Barcelona bravo | 76 Storm | 122 Dolphin Dan | 18 Virginia — | 61 Mail event | 103 Diatribe |
| 22 "I — Rock" ("66 song) | 78 Bounded | 124 Kind | 20 Alaskan city | 63 Homeric characters | 104 Clavell's "House" |
| 23 A few words | 79 Smiley's "A Thousand" | 125 Flagon filler | 25 Italian greyhound, e.g. | 64 So, state piece? | 105 Alistair or Sam |
| 24 Start of a remark by Laurence J. Peter | 81 Medical suffix | 126 Proof-reader's list | 26 Bread ingredient | 66 Habitually, to Herrick | 106 Part of PST |
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| 28 Loaf part | 84 Gogol's "Bulba" | 128 Singer | 32 "— biani!" | 69 Den | 110 Dylan's colleague |
| 30 Dram | 86 Jack of "Barney Miller" | 129 Literary pseudonym | 33 Chest material | 70 Upstairs basement? | 111 Fibre source |
| 31 Emcee | 88 Gogol's "Bulba" | 130 Soli's stick | 34 Get wind of | 72 — Bator | 112 Leslie |
| 32 Swiss sharp-shooter | 89 Ocacek of The Cars | 131 Wharton or Sitwell | 35 Tennis legend | 73 Singer | 113 Step — (hurry) |
| 33 Like fela | 90 Part 3 of remark | DOWN | 36 A roaring success? | 74 Irritated exclamation | 114 City of contempt |
| 37 Fela | 95 Principles | 1 Duplicate | 37 Rubbed the wrong way? | 77 More enthusiastic | 116 Check |
| 39 Oscar or Tony | 97 "Here You Come —" ("77 hit) | 2 Want badly | 38 Juno, in Greece | 80 Scoundrel | 117 Jeff Lynne's grp. |
| 42 Fragrant plant | 98 Hellman's "The Children's" | 3 Overdo a tan | 39 Plus | 83 — majesty | 118 Sphere |
| 44 Mets milieu | 99 Dual tool | 4 — carte | 40 Troubles | 84 Riddles | 119 Singing syllable |
| 45 Isolated | 100 Desk accessory | 5 Tied tightly | 41 Penguins' place | 85 Superior proof | 120 It may be tipped |
| 46 Spud state | 102 On edge | 6 "The Witches" | 43 Ready to eat | 88 Bruise | 121 WWII area |
| 47 97 Across | 103 Stick-in-the-mud? | 7 Horatian oration | 44 Detect | 90 — the mornin'" | 123 "Great!" |
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fall semester. Mandy's parents, Betty and Foster Davis, are just as proud, as are her grandparents, Norma and Freeman Farrington, and her great-grandparents, Jean and Lester White.

There are two write-in candidates for the position of town treasurer. Laura Hutchins and David Belanger would like you to consider voting for them. Voting takes place at the Town Hall on March 7. The Town Office will be closed on that day because of the voting.

Everyone should have received his or her 1999 Town Report. If you are going to Town Meeting on March 4, don't forget to bring it with you. And you are going to Town Meeting, aren't you? I know -- nag, nag, nag. Don't forget it starts at the ungodly hour of 8 a.m. Coffee and donuts will be available to help you wake up.

I am still amazed at the kindness of people. I know that there are more kind people in the world than not, but it still fills me with pride in my fellow man when nice things happen to me. Last Friday evening, I was out donating to a worthy cause again, better known as "Bingo." When I left I had a flat tire. Being the non-mechanical person that I am, I didn't even know where the spare was kept. My thanks to Earl and Ben Tyler, Willic Hathaway and Matt Downs for their help. It may not have been a big deal to them, but it was to me, and there wasn't one joke about a woman and a flat tire either. Thanks, guys.

The Andover Library is now open for business again. Last week the pipes were frozen, but thanks to the hard work of Eric Hutchins all

is well again. Not being able to get my "fix" at the library left me very uneasy until I received a care package from my sister. Read any good books lately?

The Andover General Store is really changing; if you haven't been in lately, go take a look. Get Agnes to tell you a joke, or usually between the hours of 11 a.m. and 12 noon Richard Pelletier will entertain you over a cup of coffee. Gotcha. It's sort of like the All Seasons used to be only smaller. Makes me homesick.

I love the power I have with this column -- have I mentioned this before? I try not to let it go to my head too much, but sometimes I just have to. See ya.

East Stoneham



by Eleanor Nelson

Hi there people. The news this week is the big 50th wedding anniversary dinner party that our

children and spouses and grandchildren put on for us at the Stoneham Community Room. It was a nice catered meal by Steve's of Oxford. It was an awfully nice celebration. About 100 people attended, and there was a lot of reminiscing about the older days. There were younger people there, too, so it was a good mixture of relatives and friends. There was a beautifully decorated cake and decorations around the room and tables. I don't mean to brag but we do have wonderful kids and spouses and grand-

children, also good friends who helped us celebrate our 50 years together. Thanks everyone.

Cheryl and Paul Barnard and Joshua, Jenna and Lindsey were here from Virginia, also Sharon and Nawal Traish from Belmont, Mass. What a fun family time. The time goes all too fast when they're here and now they're all gone and it is too quiet.

The Stoneham Winter Carnival is still going strong and everyone has been having fun at the different things and activities. The same three young women who organized the winter carnival last year were joined this year by Becky Gicker and Heidi Shugars in all the planning and organizing. They sure do a good job.

People -- don't forget to go to the Stoneham Town Meeting on Saturday, March 4. Town reports aren't in yet but should be by the time you read this. In fact, they should've been at the town office by Feb. 24.

Nine members of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Hannah F. Richardson Tent 19 met at the home of Eleanor Smith at Waterford Acres on Wednesday night, Feb. 23. Tent president, Lesley Dean, opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Gail Butterfield served as chaplain and Michelle Legieux served as guide in the absence of the regular officers. Loretta Andrews won the mystery prize. A nice lunch was served by Eleanor Smith and members present. The next meeting will be on March 22, same place -- same time. Hope to see you all there. Members are requested to bring a reading of some sort pertaining to patriotism or of historic

interest on the Civil War times.

Notice: On March 6, Monday evening at 7 p.m., there will be a Republican Caucus meeting here at the home of Eleanor Nelson. This will be a good time to meet and talk about the ones who are candidates for office and to vote for whom you want to represent you and other town members at the State Convention in Augusta on May 5 and 6, or be a delegate yourself. Please come and take part in the voting process. We need you.

Sunday River Valley



by Rockie Graham

Due to the snowstorm keeping the sleigh ride from taking place, the Newry Recreation Committee,

that great group of hardworking individuals, has rescheduled the annual Night Ski and Sleigh Ride. If you came the first time, or if like me you missed it, come to the Sunday River Inn at 6 p.m. to cross-country ski or go for a sleigh ride from 6:30 to 8 p.m. As before, hot dogs hot cocoa and marshmallows will be available by the bonfire. The event is still free and takes place at the Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Center in Newry. Newry residents who do not have skis can rent them from the Inn for \$2, a deal at twice the price. Last week's event saw many residents from both valleys -- Sunday River and Bear River -- coming together with their entire families to enjoy a night out. This week is expected to

be just as good. Grab your friends and enjoy a sleigh ride as well as a ski, and cocoa and dogs by the fire. Join us on Friday, the 3rd of March.

It's been an incredible heat wave we're having. Friday was wet and sleety in Portland, but I returned home to find dry roads. Saturday was wet and warm and Sunday we got to see the sun. Apparently, it was gray, wet and rainy in the rest of the state. Tonight, though, I came home to a driveway full of water and mud. I fear mud season has arrived early and only hope it is short lived. It is not my favorite time of year. Perhaps a new pair of rubber boots might take care of that.

Saw Bradley and Peggy on Saturday and watched while Peggy treated Brad to a spiffy new "do." They both look well. Both Peggy and I saw cars at John and Yvonne's house. Hope that means a perspective buyer is in the works.

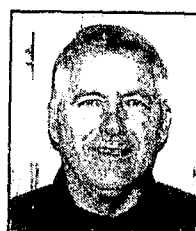
Traveled back to town today in a tow truck, as my Vista saw fit to lock her brakes. Now it's new shoes and calipers for her and rides to work for me. I only hope the parts arrive soon and Joe gets her back on the road really quickly. I thought I might rent a car and called Enterprise. Imagine my surprise when a recording said that they were closed and to call again tomorrow after 8 a.m. This was at 7 p.m. Hardly a way to run an agency that is supposed to cater to people whose cars have broken down and need a ride. I must say I was thankful for my friend George, who saw me on the side of the road and stopped. My friends Ray, Sophie and Zeke also stopped. With the

stream of traffic passing me by, I was amazed by the number of people who didn't stop. Thank goodness for AAA. They arrived in record time -- only one-half hour -- and towed me back to Bethel. Also told me that they have a repair shop in Portland for future repairs.

Next time you see someone pulled off the road with their flashers on, stop, it may be someone you know. The least you can do is call 911, like the one stranger that did stop. One more good use for those awful cell phones. They're not all bad, after all.

It's late and I must get up early to catch a ride to Portland town. Have a good week and I hope to see all my neighbors at the Inn, skiing.

Mason Township



by Richard Grover

Last week, I went back to the gun-drilling shop to fill in for a few days while they were short-

handed. This was my first time since late September. I noticed several changes since I left. There were a couple new machines (a shiny new cutoff saw and surface grinder), a new microscope and a new man. George Haines, B-Dub's brother, has replaced Beanie, who moved up to bigger and better things in the Norway shop. But the thing that impressed me most was the bumblebee suspended in mid air adjacent to Eeyore's machine. This critter is in a 27 1/2 degree,

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slightly inverted, dive and is mounted at about eye level, which startles some people when they first encounter it; I think they call him Bradley. When I asked who mounted Bradley, I was told it was not Craig's Affordable Taxidermy, but "Dianne's Micro-Taxidermy" who did the job. I think Dianne's will be in high demand once people find out about this rare talent.

One thing about the shop hasn't changed, though — the atmosphere. It still smells of cutting oil, and one is in continual danger of verbal jousts and an occasional unguided missile. At one point, I found myself wearing a snowball of about one-inch diameter. When guys complained about the depth of snow about, I reminded them that spring doesn't usually arrive until the snow at the back of the shop completely darkens the windows on that side due to the snow sliding off the roof. So far, it is only halfway up the windows.

In other news, I encountered tragedy of minor proportions the week before. One morning, I discovered a tiny saw-whet owl, about six inches tall clutching a mouse and sitting atop my wheelbarrow in the hay lean-to behind the barn. He flew up to a broken limb on a black cherry tree nearby, remaining there until after I went back into the barn. A couple days later, I felled a pine tree, which stripped all the limbs off one side of a fir tree as it came down. When I limbed out the top of the pine, there on the ground at the base of the fir was the little owl,

breathing his last. I guess he must have been perched in the fir tree, as I would have expected him to fly to safety had he been in the top of the pine. I felt badly, but

North Newry



by
Gil Seely
Claire and
George Romano
had a birthday
get-together last
Sunday, Feb. 20,
at their home in

Wiscasset for her mother, Karlene Bachelder. Present were Karlene's husband, Ras; her mother, Julia Goodwin, and twin sisters, Wilma and Hilma of Unity; Karlene's other daughter, Heidi, and husband, Arlan Littlefield and son Jodi and baby Natalie of Bethel; Claire's son, Thomas O'Donnel, and friend Shannon from Portland; Claire's daughter, Michelle, and husband, Paul Josephson and son Nick from Cumberland. There was lots of fun, lots of food and lots of gifts for Karlene. And of course, I was also there. Happy birthday Karlene and many more.

Betsy Clark, Karlene Bachelder, Bea Lowell and Gil Seely were at the Oxford Lanes in Rumford doing some bowling for fun one day last week. On the overall scores, Betsy was high in the triples, but Karlene beat her on the singles with one string of 109 to Betsy's 103. She had three spares and one strike.

Betsy had five spares, Gil one spare and Bea one spare. All went shopping and had some lunch.

The night ski on Feb. 18 was enjoyed by many who ventured out in the storm. A fresh snow made for silky, smooth skiing. But the sleigh rides were postponed. So you can do it all again, plus the sleigh rides on Friday, March 3, from 6 to 9 p.m. A sleigh will be there from 6:30 to 8 p.m. So come roast hot dogs and marshmallows at the campfire, do some kick sledding and sliding and enjoy a sleigh ride. It's free for Newry residents. Skis can be rented for \$2, and if you have non-Newry friends who would like to come, they can pay the \$3 trail fee and enjoy the fun.

The Newry Mothers Club met Monday, Feb. 21, at the town office. There were six members present. Much was discussed for summer projects. Plans were made for a cookout, a flea market, and for the planting of flowers at the grange hall, town office and church. Brenda won the mystery prize. The next meeting will be on Sunday, March 12, at Sylvia Wight's home at 7 p.m.

REBECCA CHANDLER JOINS PEACE CORPS

Rebecca Ann Chandler, daughter of Jim and Jane Chandler of Woodstock, will depart for Mongolia in June to become a health extension volunteer for the Peace Corps. Chandler's work will include teaching preventive medicine to health care providers in both

Mongolian and English.

A graduate of Telstar High School, Chandler will earn a BA in sociology with a minor in journalism and East Asian studies from Brandeis University this year.

From the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

Last year the Bethel Historical Society was awarded a \$2,970 grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services to conduct a Museum Assessment Program (MAP III) study of the society and how it relates to its audience. The study must be completed by early 2001.

The Board of Trustees has discussed this project and is interested in learning if there are individuals in the community willing to volunteer and participate in helping the society with this endeavor. The organization is now preparing for the visit of two museum professionals, later in the year, who will review the completed self-study questionnaire and spend two days with trustees, volunteers, members of the community, and staff discussing ways to expand, identify, and diversify visitors to the society as it faces future growth and expansion. The two professionals will prepare a detailed study of their

findings for use by the society in its planning to increase its audience and profile in the region.

Three activities included in the self-study require volunteer participation. The first is a public perception exercise where volunteers ask questions of people in the community, in businesses, and on the street directions to the society and specific information about what it has to offer. Volunteers asking questions will record this information to determine what the public knows about the society and its image in the community. This will be summarized in the self-study.

The next activity is the public experience activity where a sample of the public tours the society. These participants will then identify what they found effective and what they believed might be changed or improved. These findings will also be summarized in the self-study.

The third experience has three options (1) a community meeting to discuss the society and what it offers its community, (2) a focus group where a detailed discussion is provided to determine audience issues, reactions, attitudes, expectations and perceptions, and (3) a community questionnaire for commentary from those who have visited the society and those who have not. In all three cases, the results from these activities will be included in the self-study.

Anyone interested in participating in this project is urged to call the society office (824-2908).

Members of the MAP III steering committee at present include three trustees and a member at large, life member William Andrews of Newry, but more are needed here as well. These activities should not be unduly burdensome as to time commitment, probably in the neighborhood of 10 to 20 hours over the next several months. To obtain further information, please use the phone number above or use the society e-mail address: (history@bdc.bethel.me.us).

From the

Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

All members and friends of the chamber are invited to several upcoming events.

On Monday, March 13, the chamber, in cooperation with Mt. Abram Ski Resort is hosting the 8th annual Bethel Area Mountain Madness Norway Savings Bank Alpine Derby. Everyone is encouraged to either find a friend as a partner, or put together a team of four or simply register as a single (and we'll match you up with teammates). This will be a full day of fun, with the morning's event being a scavenger hunt and the afternoon's event being a fun relay race. Together with a delicious B-B-Q

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lunch, an amenity bag full of gifts and the opportunity to win many prizes donated by area merchants, the day will be a great way to celebrate the fun that winter brings. The entry fee is \$35 per person, and the proceeds go to support the chamber's mission to encourage a climate where businesses can flourish. Most of you received the entry form in the mail, but if you didn't please call the office at 824-2282. Many thanks to our Title Partner: Norway Savings Bank; our Gold Partners: Coca Cola Bottling and Shipyard Ale; and to our Silver Partners: J.S. McCarthy Co. Printers, Adelphia, Chalmers Insurance, Hawthorne Investment Management, Goodwin's Insurance, NorthCenter Foodservice and Hancock Lumber. Additionally, a donation of coffee and donuts, to start the morning, will be provided by Dunkin' Donuts and lunch foods will be provided by Shop 'n Save and the Good Food Store.

The March Community Networking Breakfast is scheduled for Wednesday, March 15, at The Victoria on Main Street, Bethel. A continental breakfast will be available for \$3 per person. RSVPs are required by Tuesday, March 14, to the chamber office.

Café DiCocco will be the setting for the March Business After

Hours, to be held on Tuesday, March 21 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcomed to come along and visit with owner Cathy DiCocco and experience one of Bethel's unique and wonderful dining spots.

The chamber has set the date of Saturday, May 20, for our annual Awards Dinner and Program, to be held at the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River in their grand ballroom. More information will be forthcoming, but make sure to put the date on your calendars. We are seeking nominations for the special awards the chamber has traditionally presented: the Henry H. Hastings Award for outstanding citizenship, the Lifetime Achievement Award, the Business of the Year Award, the Forest Products Industry Award, and four Employee of the Year awards in Hospitality, Ski Industry, Retail and Service and Education. Nominations for the employee awards must come from the employer and the application forms can be obtained by calling the chamber office. The Awards Committee, comprised of Chamber Board members and former award recipients, hopes to receive many nominations this year; so many great people deserve to be recognized for their dedication to the area.



BROKEN MAIN ON MAIN
The Bethel Water District and Cross Excavation rushed to fix a broken water main at the intersection of Philbrook and Main streets Monday morning. The cause of the break, said BWD's Don Katlin, was likely a combination of shifting from frost and age of the pipe (1950s vintage, Katlin estimates). Here, Clay Gould buries the repaired pipe. (Photo by Aloisio)

Caucuses and political meetings

ANDOVER REPUBLICANS

A Republican Party caucus will take place Sunday, March 5, at the Andover Congregational Church. The meeting will begin at 2 p.m.

ANDOVER DEMOCRATS

A Democratic Caucus will be held Sunday, March 5, at 2 p.m. at the Andover Christian Education Building.

WOODSTOCK GOP MEETING

Judy Bennett, president of the Woodstock Republican Committee, has called a special meeting of the committee to be held at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 3 at the town office annex.

The purpose of the meeting is to review, revise and approve proposed new bylaws of said committee.

All registered Republicans of the town are members of this committee and it is hoped that a large number will come out for the meeting so that its purpose can be accomplished at this time.

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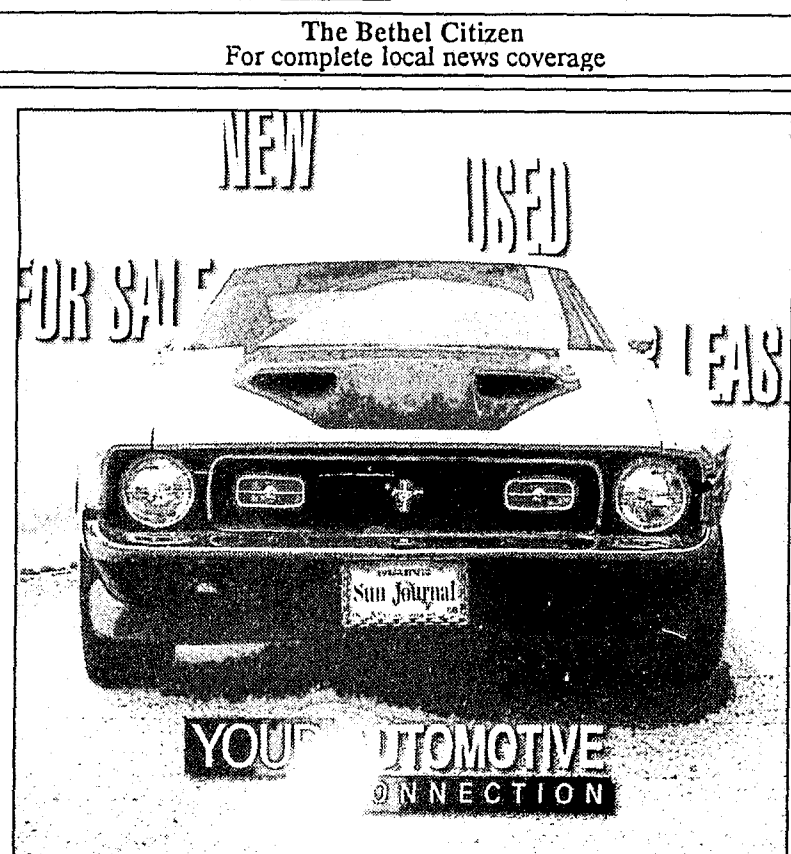
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Snowbound, in a family way

By CATHRYN LOVEJOY, not JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER

Once upon a time, not so long ago (depending on your age and point of view), the following adventure occurred.

According to Ruth Cummings' records, the winter of '59-'60 had a snowfall of 111 inches, and I'm certain every bit of that fell on our house, plus the wind blew all the snow from the other end of the valley to our house and yard. Our house was buried in snow. The snow covered the windows and doors clear up onto the roof. The children could go sliding down either the house or barn roofs; they had their own private mountains. We were expecting our third child on or about the 29th of February. Now I had determined this child should not be born on the 29th if I had to stand on my head in a corner with my legs crossed.

The weekend prior to the 29th my Mom and Dad drove up from Connecticut (in a snowstorm). It was a good six-hour drive in those days. The sun had set as we watched anxiously for the gleam of headlights as they reflected back from the tops of the snow banks. Several wild dashes were made to the front door that is situated in the hall, to see if the headlights were going to turn into our yard. Finally they were here. The two older children rushed out through the kitchen door to greet them and help lug any packages they might have.

In those days the "spare bedroom" was situated directly over the kitchen. There was a register cut into the ceiling just over the kitchen stove to provide warmth. This was always Grampa and Grammie's room when they came to visit. On Sunday, Dad headed back to Connecticut alone, leaving Grammie here to tend the children when I had the baby. The snow continued to fall and the wind to blow. Feb. 29 came and went and still no baby. The wind blew harder and harder. The road crew worked day and night trying to keep the road open; finally one night they had to take a short break, and when they returned the road was blocked solid full of snow and the plow could not get through. A bulldozer was hired and George Luxton was the driver. In those days there were no cabs on this type of equipment, the driver was exposed to the elements. The wind had blown all the fresh snow off and was now working on the "older" snow that was filled with ice crystals, which cut the flesh on the driver of the bulldozer causing his face to bleed. It was thus necessary for him to quit.

The road commissioner came to the house to advise me he had a car ready to take me out to the village, I only had to climb up a 15-foot snow bank and down the other side to get to the car. Maternity slacks had not been invented yet, so all I had were bare legs and low shoes, and so I declined lest I chill my lower extremities. The road commissioner was not pleased with my decision. I explained I had my mother with me and the necessary material, and besides Dr. Young had promised he would obtain a snow machine and come to my assistance if I needed him. So the road crew went home for a good night's rest and we waited, while the wind blew, the house shook and the furnace ate wood like it was candy.

In the morning the wind ceased, the sun shone and Shirley Gilbert told Cleve if he'd walk to the Davis' house he'd pick him up so he could drive the pulp truck. (The wind never really ceases here only lets up to a gentler breeze.) So off he went with lunch box and thermos in hand. The school bus wasn't able to get through, so the older children were still at home.

We watched and listened for some activity that would let us know the road crew was back at work. A couple of hours after Cleve left I had a showing, which meant that the time was drawing near for delivery.

Then we hear a loud noise. It was the bucket loader coming to dig a hole through the hard-packed snowdrifts. It would butt the drift, fill its bucket, back up and dump it to one side, then butt it again. I had a doctor's appointment at 1 p.m., so we watched intently as the bucket loader got ever closer to our driveway. Finally it reached us. We hustled ourselves into the car, which did start even though its engine had been full of snow, and with Mom at the wheel (I didn't fit too well behind the wheel) she inched the car out onto the road. The hole in the snowdrift was just large enough to squeeze the car through; if it had stalled, we couldn't have opened the doors. We left the children off at the West Bethel School and headed for South Paris. The first contraction came about at I.W. Andrews' turn. By the time I saw the doctor it was time to go to the hospital, and Mom had to dash home to meet the school bus. When Cleve got home at 7 p.m., he found me gone and a phone call to the hospital came just as I was coming out of the delivery room past the nurses desk, so he got the news directly from the source. The hospital gave him permission to come see his new baby daughter even if it was long past visiting hours. Family and neighbors breathed a sigh of relief, with one from the road crew, I think, being the biggest.

For years after we kept donuts and coffee ready and the outside light on in case any of the road crew needed a break or to use the phone (no two-way radios in the trucks in those days). The dedication of that road crew has never been forgotten; they were a special breed of men.



IN THE MONEY--This money machine was a popular draw for the Sunday River Ski Club at its annual Casino Night fundraiser recently. Object of the game: grab as many of the bills being blown around inside the machine as possible, and stuff them out a small slot -- in a limited amount of time. Here, Gould skier Zeke Davisson tests his money-making skills.

Sports

High School Boys' X-C Skiing

State Class A Championship classical race at Black Mt., Feb. 23: Mt. Blue 11, Telstar 53, 3. ELHS 65, Leavitt 68, Fort Kent 84, Mt. Valley 92, OHHS 105, Cony 146, Skowhegan 151, Lewiston 180—Winning time: D. Archard (MtB) 16:24. Telstar finishers: 6. Colin Reuter 17:13; 13. Brian Zinchuk 17:46; 20. John Reuter 18:12; 21. Freddie Bailey 18:17; 33. Per Sandstrom 19:22; 47. Joel Doyon 20:48.

High School Girls' X-C Skiing

State Class A Championship classical race at Black Mt., Feb. 23: Mt. Blue 15, Leavitt 25, Fort Kent 67, OHHS 91, ELHS 104, Mt. Valley 106, Telstar 107, Lewiston 158—Winning time: E. Carey (Leav) 16:47. Telstar finishers: 15. Erica Gundersen 20:11; 16. Annie Kennett 20:14; 28. Sarah Gamble 21:47; 37. Heather Zimmerman 23:13; 44. Nikki Roberts 27:01; 45. Shonna Young 29:04.

USSA Men's Alpine Skiing

Giant slalom at Sugarloaf, Feb. 26—Gould/Sunday River's Zeke Davisson placed first (1:56.95) in a field of 52 racers in a JIII competition. Other GSR finishers: 2. Jake Largess 2:04.47; 11. Adam Largess 2:10.61; 12. Billy Murphy 2:11.64; 31. 31. Kevin Zinchuk 2:21.63; 44. Travis Brooks 2:55.14. In the JIV race, GSR's Kamden Burke finished first (1:30.40, over second place time of 1:33.38).

Downhill at Snowbasin, Utah, Feb. 27—Parker Gray of Newry finished sixth in a field of 50 American and Canadian racers in a North American Super Series race. Gray's time was 1:17.48 (winning time: 1:16.87).

SCHOOL LUNCHES: WEEK OF MARCH 6

SAD44 Elementary/Middle/High Breakfast Program
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SAD44 Telstar Middle/High School Lunch Program

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Wednesday: Pepperoni pizza, kernel corn, potato chips, beef ravioli, hot dog (turkey)/bun, hamburger/bun, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.
Thursday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, honey cup, garden peas, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, teriyaki chicken/hb bun, hamburger/bun, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.
Friday: Cheese stix, pizza sauce, assorted fruit juice, pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, ham and cheese roll, hamburger/bun, p/b/j sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

SAD44 Andover/Crescent Park/Woodstock Lunch Program

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Gould JIII skiers conclude strong regular season

By TAO SMITH

Gould Academy alpine racer Zeke Davisson of Bethel continued his unbeaten streak last weekend, winning a J-III (ages 13-14) giant slalom at Sugarloaf, as well as a slalom at Titcomb Mountain.

Davisson won Saturday's GS by an unprecedented eight seconds over second-place finisher Jake Largess of Newry. Gould Academy eighth-grade program racer Quinn McAllister of Lisbon Falls recorded a solid eighth place finish, with freshman Billy Murphy of Bethel in 12th.

It was an equally strong day for Gould eighth-grader Francis Wolff of Cape Elizabeth, who had his chance at a first place result, but narrowly missed it to end up in 18th place. Wolff came on strong again the next day in the slalom, but was foiled by a disqualification in the second run.

Murphy ended up in 16th place, while McAllister had another solid day, again finishing eighth.

The battle for first place this time was tighter with Davisson taking the first run over freshman Spencer Cowin of Newry, and the two actually tying on the second run. Overall, Davisson beat Cowin by a nose, finishing up with a clean sweep for the weekend.

On the girls' side, it was Gould eighth-grader Stephanie Sweeney of Andover, Mass. who had a strong and consistent weekend, finishing sixth in the giant slalom and fifth in the slalom. Sweeney had a blazing second run in Sunday's slalom and is showing great promise for the 2000-2001 season.

Eighth-grader Meredith Gadd of West Newbury, Mass. also had a strong slalom race, finishing eighth, while displaying tremendous drive and willpower in her second run of the race. Gould freshman Danielle Riss of Madison, N.H. had her best slalom race of the season, finishing in a strong second place behind Carrabasset Valley Academy's Jennah Durham.

The J-III Maine State Alpine Team was announced this weekend, and all of Gould's J-III's qualified for a post-season event.

The Junior Olympic team is as follows—Boys: 1-Zeke Davisson, 2-Spencer Cowin, 5-Gabe Ohlson. Girls: 2-Danielle Riss.

The J-III Finals team—Boys: 2-Chuck Hoyt, 3-Quinn McAllister, 4-Billy Murphy, 6-Anthony Liberti, 21-Francis Wolff. Girls: 3-Stephanie Sweeney, 5-Meredith Gadd. Congratulations to all of the J-III's on a great regular season, and good luck in the post-season events.

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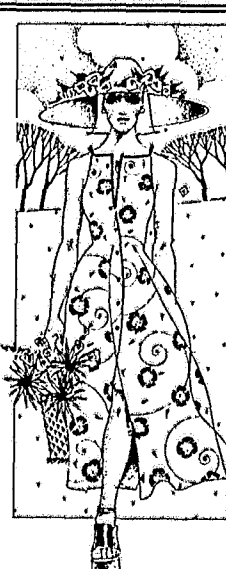
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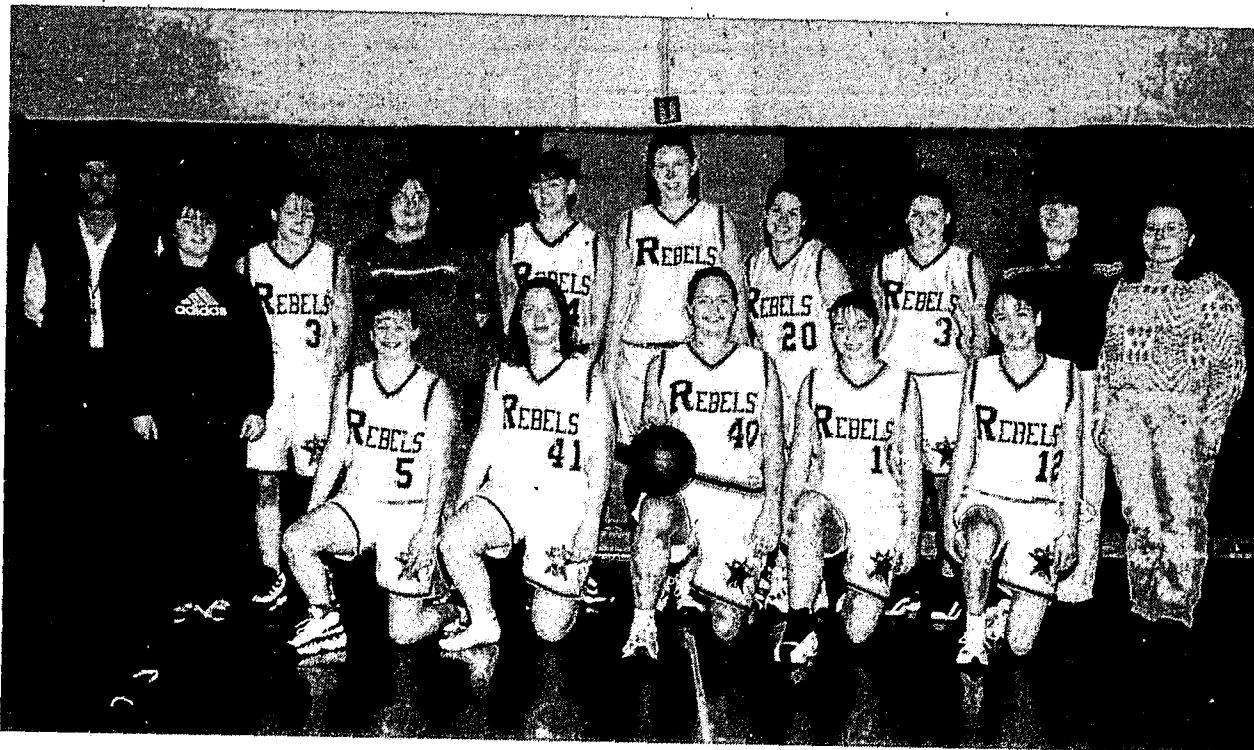
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Telstar High School 1999-2000 Winter Sports



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 1999-2000 BOYS' VARSITY BASKETBALL
Front: Ian Andrews (mgr.), Maryanne Nadeau (mgr.), Wade Osgood, Cooper Willard, Kier Simmons, Matt Lawrence, Kinsey Durgin, Will Seames, Tom Kelly (mgr.). Back: coach Larry Durgin, Greg Koch, Bob Bean, Gavin Palmer, Eli Young, Dan Zinchuk, Dan Stevens, Paul Cox, Kaleb Durgin, Steve Estes, coach David Berry.

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 1999-2000 BOYS' J.V. BASKETBALL
Front: Joseph Gaudreau, Steve Estes, Paul Cox, Kinsey Durgin, Josh Appleby, Dan Stevens. Back: Ian Andrews (mgr.), Robie Wentworth, Wade Osgood, Eli Young, Gavin Palmer, Scott Withey, coach David Berry. Absent: Jordi Walker, James Lamp.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 1999-2000 GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL
Kneeling: Amy Hebert, Sarah Papaik, Katrine Burgi, Mariah Seames, Jessica Walker. Back: coach Carroll Harris, Erica Davis, Katie Wight, Amber Bachelder, Lauren Hart, Rebecca Swan, Lynsey Brown, Anna Willard, Mandy Davis (mgr.) Stephanie Withey (mgr.).

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 1999-2000 ALPINE SKIING
Front: Jon Howe, Alex Johnson, Anthony Delulio, Dan Morgan, Gail Aloisio, Jessica Adams. Back: Josh Hamel, Ray Crockett, Justin Wight, Seth Howe, Jay Aloisio, Stephanie Vaughan, coach Beth LaVallee. Absent: Becky LaVallee, Heather Zimmerman.



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 1999-2000 CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING
Front: Nikki Roberts, Annie Kennett, Colin Reuter, Jared Howe, John Reuter, Heather Zimmerman, Shonna Young. Back: Freddie Bailey, Erica Gundersen, Brian Zinchuk, Joel Doyon, Per Sandstrom, Jay Hanscom, Sarah Gamble, coach Gary Wight.

TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 1999-2000 SNOWBOARDING
Jason Mowery, Darin Morse, coach Chris Davies, Forrest Duplessis, Evan Rhodes. Absent: Michelle Delulio, Jeremy Benson, Josh Morgan, John Rhodes, Michael Gionet. (Photos courtesy Alston School Pictures)



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Community Calendar

Activities

Public Computer Access: The Adult Learning Center is open for free computer use by adults during the Learning Center hours: Mondays from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:30 to 7:30 p.m.; Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. All lab users must complete a SAD44 Acceptable Use Policy regarding Internet and e-mail use. A public access computer is available at the Adult Education/ITV office at Telstar on Mondays-Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Call 824-2780 to check on availability.

Mondays, March 6, 13, 20—Create positive changes in you personal and work life at "Moving Through Fear" workshop, sponsored by Maine Centers for Women, Work and Community, at Rumford/Mexico University center from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. and at Oxford Hills Adult Education from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Free. Pre-registration required. For information or to enroll, call 753-6622 or (800) 442-2092.

Ballroom Dance Class, March 22-April 26, 7 to 8 p.m., at Agnes Gray School gymnasium, West Paris. Instructor: Nancy Willard. Proceeds to benefit First Universalist Church, West Paris. Cost: \$25. To register, call Joyce Lamb (674-2002) or Nancy Willard (665-2788).

"Hello Dolly"—March 30, 31, April 1 and 2-- the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School-Community Broadway Show, will be presented in the OHCHS school auditorium. Tickets for the show on sale at Books 'n Things, Oxford. Tickets: \$7 for children through eighth grade and senior citizens 62 and over, and \$9 for adults.

Gardening Workshop, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Mondays, March 6, 13, 20 and 27 at Extension Office, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. For more information or to register, call 743-6329 or (800) 287-1482.

Thursday, March 2, 7 p.m.—Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater Company performance in the Grand Ballroom of the Grand Summit Hotel at Sunday River. Tickets: children 6 to 12, \$3; adults, \$5 in advance or \$5 and \$7 at door. Tickets on sale at South Ridge Lodging check-in, Snow Cap Inn and Grand Summit Hotel front desk or at Books N Things, Bethel. For further information, call 824-3575.

Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens meeting at Town Annex, Bryant Pond. Potluck dinner — bring hot dish, salad or dessert and place setting. Speaker: Basil Seguin.

Bethel Recreation Board meeting, 7 p.m., at the Town Office.

Friday, March 3, 6-9 p.m.—Night Ski and Sleigh Rides at Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Ski Center, Newry, sponsored by Newry Recreation Committee. No charge for Newry residents, \$3 for non-Newry residents. Ski rentals: \$2. Ski out to campfire to roast hot dogs and marshmallows, kick sled or go sliding on Wight Heat, enjoy sleigh ride 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Woodstock Republican Committee meeting at Bryant Pond Town Office, 7 p.m. Purpose of meeting: to review, revise and approve proposed by laws. For more information, call 665-2909.

Saturday, March 4, 8 a.m.—Andover Town Meeting at Andover Town Hall.

Public Supper at Bethel Methodist Church, 5:30 p.m. Adults: \$5; under 12, \$2.50. Menu: baked beans, casseroles, salads, pies, bread, beverage.

West Paris Town Meeting, 10 a.m. at Agnes Gray School.

Sunday, March 5, 3 p.m.—Democratic Party Caucuses for towns of Bethel, Gilead, Greenwood, Newry, Woodstock and Albany Township at Locke Mills Legion Hall, Gore Road, Greenwood. For more information, call 875-2116.

Albany residents: General Information Meeting at Albany Town Hall, 3 p.m. (see Letter to the Editor by D. Duddy).

Kids Play Day, sponsored by Bethel Outing Club, from noon to 1:30 p.m. at Gould Academy cross-country trails on Grover Hill Road (meet at biathlon course). Pre-school to grade five invited. Parents invited. Suggested contribution: \$5. For information call 824-3852.

Monday, March 6, 7:30 p.m.—Robert Trentham, tenor, will present concert, sponsored by Rumford Community Concert Association at Mt. Valley High School Muskie Auditorium, Rumford. A representative will be available to assist anyone who would like to join the association.

Auditions for Missoula Children's Theatre production of Beauty Lou and the Country Beast, 3 to 5 p.m. at Crescent Park Elementary School, Bethel.

Tuesday, March 7, 10 a.m.—Western Maine Knitting Guild meeting at Christ Episcopal Church, Norway. Gretchen Neidlinger will show samples of felting and explain how done. For information, call 743-7212 or 743-6635.

Presidential Primary, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., at Crescent Park School music room.

Wednesday, March 8, 11 a.m.—Bethel Senior Citizens Club meeting at Bethel Methodist Church. Speaker: Linda Kennedy, consumer assistance specialist from Maine Public Utilities Commission.

Thursday, March 9—Free tubing night at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Saturday, March 11, 8 to 11:30 p.m.—Old-fashioned Dance at Locke Mills Town Hall, with music by the Felt Orchestra. Proceeds to benefit Greenwood Historical Society.

Missoula Children's Theatre production of Beauty Lou and the Country Beast, 3 and 7 p.m. at Crescent Park Elementary School. Tickets: \$3 and \$5 in advance or \$5 and \$7 at the door available at Big Apple in Bethel, Andover Elementary School, Crescent Park Elementary School and Woodstock Elementary School. For more advance tickets or more information, call 824-3575.

Monday, March 13, eighth annual Bethel Area Mountain Madness Norway Savings Bank Alpine Derby (see Bethel Area of Commerce article for more information).

Tuesday, March 14, 6:30 p.m.—Telstar Alumni Association meeting at Telstar library. All alumni, please attend.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Afterschool program, Tuesdays 3:15 p.m. Story hour for preschoolers, Thursdays, 2-3 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-8 p.m.; Thursday 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 1-8 p.m.; Saturday, 9-1 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through May). Michelle Conroy, Librarian. 824-2520.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: Tel. 665-2505. Library hours: Tues., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Wed., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thurs., 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Fri., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 1:30-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m. 674-2004.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.

Upton Library: Saturdays, 9-11 a.m.

Church Services

Bethel

West Parish Congregational—Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and Sunday School. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene—Rev. John Grant, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 836-2490 for transportation). 10:30 a.m. morning worship. 6 p.m. evening service.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 5 p.m. thru March. 743-2606.

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Richard Mowery, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship service. 6 p.m. evening service. 824-2289.

United Methodist—Rev. Walter Brown, Pastor, 9 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School 10:15 a.m. (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—Rev. John Williams, 9 a.m. worship and church school.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—Ash Wednesday service March 8 at Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street, 4 p.m. (No house church third week of March). 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers)—Sunday 9:30 a.m. at 558 E. Bethel Rd. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Marie Hickey (875-2257) for more info.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: Clayton Sweatt 824-8231.

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Peter Laitres, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. worship service. 6 p.m. evening service. 665-3133.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Unitarian Universalist—Closed for winter recess. Please join us in the spring.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m.

Calvary Congregational Church—Winter hours: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., morning worship service 10:45 a.m. Wed. night, Bible study and prayer meeting, 6:45 p.m. Route 5, S. Andover, Rev. Duane Waite. 392-1121.

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union—Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

East Stoneham

East Stoneham Congregational—Rev. Janice Wilcox, 10 a.m. worship in February, April, June, August, October and December. 9 a.m. church school (Oct.-June).

Newry

Newry Community Church—Sunday, worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

Albany

Congregational Church—Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Bible study Tues. 7 p.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study Thursday evenings at Pastor Gammon's home in Woodstock.

Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (9 Stevens St.)—Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church—Route 117N, S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after.

West Paris Baptist—Pastor Gordon DeHaas. Sunday worship 9 a.m., 6:45 p.m. Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

North Paris Baptist—Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)—Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information.

Rumford Point

Rumford Point Church—Sunday service, Sunday School, 6 p.m. Dec. 5, 12, 19. Rev. Deborah Jenks.

West Paris

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris—UU Rev. Joy Gasta, 9 a.m. worship (Sept.-mid-June). 674-2365.

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Exchanges

District Exchange—Open every Monday 1-4 p.m., Thursday, 4-6 p.m. and every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ethel Bisbee School, Bethel. Clothing on sale, food available for those in need.

Abused Women's Advocacy Project

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment

Gateway Recovery Services—Outpatient counseling services available at Bethel Family Health Center, Mondays and Wednesdays. For info, call 207-743-7580.

Veterans' Services

(State/VA Benefits)

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first and third Wednesday each month, 9 to 12 noon (743-6300); Rumford Employ. Sec. Bldg. (364-3718), second and fourth Thursday, 9 to 12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 200 Main St., 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

First Monday: V.F.W., Rebel Recreation Restaurant, West Bethel, 7 p.m. 824-2587.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at Sunday River Station; third Monday, 7 p.m., Bear River Station. Anyone interested please stop by the stations for a meeting.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17, Bryant Pond, JR Grange Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 665-2460.

Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for meeting place.

The Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Bethel Airport Authority, 7 p.m. Call town office for meeting place in Feb. and March.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church (downstairs).

Grief group (for the loss of a loved one) meets from 6-8 p.m. in the conference room of the Bethel Family Health Center.

First Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Windy Valley Snowmobile Club meets at Newry Town Office, 7 p.m.

Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10 a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesday: Woodstock Board of Selectmen meets at Bryant Pond, JR Grange Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 665-2460 the Town Office, 5 p.m.

Greenwood Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 5 p.m.

The Greater Rumford Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMI-CAN) Support, education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from 6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Frank Gibson home, North Road, Bethel, at 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-8 p.m. at Ethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-3076.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.

Telstar Alumni Association meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Telstar Library.

Second and Fourth Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

Cross-Country Quilters meet at the Bethel Library from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

First Wednesday: Purity Chapter 102, OES, 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting.

Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7:30 p.m.

Bethel Area Arachnes Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon.

Western Maine Foothills Toastmasters, 6:30 p.m., Dirigo High School, Dixfield. Call 562-4931 for info.

Second Wednesday: CPS/PTA meets from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Babysitting provided.

Gilead selectmen meet at Town Office, 7 p.m. Tax collector also holds hours.

First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Fourth Wednesday: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, H.F. Richardson Tent #19, East Stoneham, K of P Hall, 7 p.m. For more info, call 928-2611.

Women's Fellowship, West Parish Congregational Church, Garland Chapel, Bethel, 9:30 a.m.

Jefferson Chapter, 89, OES, Bryant Pond, 6:30 p.m.; refreshments, 7:30 meeting. (Except July and Aug.)

Every Wednesday: TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 5:45-7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Thursday: United Methodist Women meet at the Bethel Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

Bethel Historical Society, Dr. Moses Mason House, 7:30 p.m.

Bethel Recreation Board meeting, 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Second Thursday: Board of Directors of Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce meets at Crescent Park School conference room, 7:30 a.m. Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Bethel Lodge #97, AF & AM.

First and Third Thursday: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Fourth Thursday: Bethel Area Poets Society Reading, 7 to 9 p.m. Call 824-3427 for more info.

Every Thursday: Andover Water District Board of Directors meets at 7 p.m. at 28 S. Main St. (Next meeting Jan. 8 at 7:30 p.m.)

West Paris Board of Selectmen meet at the Town Office, 6:30 p.m.

Middle and High School Youth Groups, 6:30 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.

Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

First Saturday: Western Maine Mountain Jeepers meet at 7 p.m. at Bethel Fire Station.

St. Andrews Society meeting, 10 a.m., Harvest House, Lisbon (business meeting with lunch).

Second Saturday: Woodstock Historical Society meets at 7 p.m. in historical society museum. Open to public.

Last Saturday: Upton Planning Board meets at 9 a.m. at the Town Office.

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Television Listings

THURSDAY EVENING MARCH 2, 2000

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	WWF Smackdown!				Star Trek: Voyager		Mad	Mathis
(32)	Boss?	Boss?	Figure Skating: Challenge		Boss?		Siegfried & Roy: Magic		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Jesse	Frasier	Stark	ER		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Whose?	Whose?	Be a Millionaire		20/20 Downtown		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Maine	Made In	Mystery!		Rumpole of the Bailey		Sarah McLachlin	
(22)	College Basketball: Minnesota at Michigan State				College Basketball: Cincinnati at DePaul				Sportscenter	
(34)	Matt Houston		Movie: "Witness to the Execution"				Life of Kenny Rogers		Matt Houston	
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Diagnosis Murder				48 Hours		News	
(41)	Snow Show	Sports	Boxing: Fight Time				Sports	College Basketball: UCLA at California		
(15)	Movie: "Little Shop of Horrors"				Movie: "The Distinguished Gentleman"				Real Sex 24	
(17)	Garbage-Picking, Field Goal-Kicking				Movie: "The Dirt Bike Kid"		Garbage-Picking, Field Goal-Kicking, Philadelphia			
(18)	How Stella Got				Movie: "The Confession"		Movie: "Caligula"			
(20)	NHL Hockey: Montreal Canadiens at Boston Bruins				Bruins		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Chicago Hope		Movie: "Frances"				Golden	
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Pala Rider"						Movie: "The Outlaw Josey Wales"	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Skeeter	Brady	Hillbillies	All in Family	Jeffersons	I Love Lucy	Bewitched
(25)	Mr. Peabody		Movie: "The Country Girl"				Movie: "A Lady Takes a Chance"			
(26)	JAG		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "Beverly Hills Cop"				Walker, Texas Ranger	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports				Law & Order	
(12)	Full House	Caroline	Bulls Eye		NBA Basketball: Cleveland Cavaliers at Chicago Bulls				News	Coach
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World		Political Debate		Larry King Live		Sports	Moneyline

FRIDAY EVENING MARCH 3, 2000

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Movie: "Code Name: Phoenix"				Star Trek: Voyager		Mad	Mathis
(32)	Janet Jackson-Velvet		My So-Called Life		Higher Ground		Exploring the Unknown		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Providence		Dateline		Law & Order		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Boy-World	Sabrina	Sabrina	Hughleys	20/20		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Wash. Wk.	Wall St	Salute to British Comedy on American Public TV				Remarkable 20th Century	
(22)	Outside the Lines		NHL Hockey: Florida Panthers at New York Rangers						Sportscenter	
(34)	18 Wheels of Justice		Extreme Wrestling		Rollerjam: Teams TBA		Auto Racing: World of Outlaws			
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Kids Say	Cosby	Now and Again		Nash Bridges		News	
(41)	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Toronto Raptors				Sports		FOX Sports News		Toughman	Last Word
(15)	In the Line of Duty		Movie: "Vampires"				Texas Chainsaw Massacre-Next Gen.		Dennis M.	
(17)	So Weird	Movie: "Angels in the Attic"			Movie: "Toothless"		MusicVids		So Weird	Jersey
(18)	"The Untouchables"		Movie: "Just a Little Harmless Sex"			Movie: "Gloria"			Passion	
(20)	College Hockey: RPI at Brown				Front Row		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Chicago Hope		Movie: "Deadly Relations"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Witness"						Movie: "Dragnet"	
(24)	U Pick Nicktoons						All in Family	Jeffersons	I Love Lucy	Bewitched
(25)	"55 Days at Peking"		Movie: "Frenzy"				Cinema	Movie: "The Land That Time Forgot"		
(26)	JAG		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "The Terminator"				From Dusk Till Dawn 2	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		Polot		Law & Order	
(12)	Full House	Caroline	Movie: "I Come in Peace"				News		MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today				Larry King Live		Newsstand	Moneyline

SATURDAY EVENING MARCH 4, 2000

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Movie: "Albino Alligator"				Movie: "Eye of the Storm"			
(32)	Sabrina the-Witch		Movie: "Borrowed Hearts: A Holiday Romance"				Movie: "The Cowboy and the Movie Star"			
(6)	NBA Basketball: Regional Coverage		3rd Rock	Pretender			The Others		News	Sat. Night
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Waterworld"						News	NYPD Blue
(10)	Girls High School Basketball: Class C State Final				High School Basketball: Class C State Final				Red Green	Red Dwarf
(22)	College Basketball: Maryland at Virginia				College Basketball: Oklahoma at Oklahoma State				Sportscenter	
(34)	Man Who Broke Chains		Opry	Grand Opry	Galtier Gospel Hour		Country on Ice		Opry	Grand Opry
(18)	ER		Early Edition		Martial Law		Walker, Texas Ranger		News	
(41)	College Basketball		ATP Tennis: CitiX Championships -- Semifinal				FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(15)	"Crocodile Dundee II"		Movie: "True Crime"				Sopranos		Naked Players-People	
(17)	So Weird	Movie: "A Simple Wish"			Movie: "Wish Upon a Star"		MusicVids		So Weird	Jersey
(18)	"Great Expectations"		Movie: "Small Soldiers"				Movie: "Prototype X29A"			Hot Line
(20)	Sports		College Basketball: Villanova at Boston College		Sports		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Deceived by Trust		Movie: "Death of a Cheerleader"				Oh Baby		Golden	Any Day Now
(5)	WCW Saturday Night		Movie: "City Slickers"						Movie: "Magnum Force"	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Amanda	Eddie	All That		I Love Lucy	I Love Lucy	Lucy and Desi	
(25)	"The Trouble With Harry"		Movie: "Shane"				Movie: "Beach Party"			
(26)	Movie: "The Terminator"				Movie: "Working Girl"					Bev. Cop
(27)	Love Chronicles		Biography		Movie: "Murder, She Wrote: South by Southwest"				Top 10	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Ill. Luckiest	Movie: "Point Break"				News		Bzzz!	Death Wr.
(39)	Capital	Sports	Worldview	Movers	Larry King Weekend		Worldview	Capital	Sports Tonight	

SUNDAY EVENING MARCH 5, 2000

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Frasier	Frasier	Movie: "Dennis the Menace"				St. Jude-Hope		Wild Things	
(32)	Home Alone 2		Movie: "Ice Angel"				Movie: "Columbo: Rest in Peace, Mrs. Columbo"			
(6)	NBA Basketball: Heat at Lakers		Dateline		10th Kingdom				News	Big Break
(8)	Movie: "Life Size"				Be a Millionaire		Practice		News	Basketball
(10)	Baxter-Park		Kalahadin: The Mountain People		High on Maine		Green		Mystery!	
(22)	Sr. Golf	Sportscl.	NHL Hockey: Detroit Red Wings at Dallas Stars						Sportscenter	
(34)	Fishin'	Fishing	Outdoor	Grigsby	Championship Bull Riding		Outdoors		NASCAR	Car
(18)	60 Minutes		Touched by an Angel		Movie: "Catch a Falling Star"				News	
(41)	College Hockey: Hockey East Tournament Wildcard -- Teams to Be Announced						FOX Sports News		FOX Sports News	
(15)	"The Newton Boys"		Sopranos		Movie: "If These Walls Could Talk 2"		Movie: "A Perfect Murder"			
(17)	So Weird	Bug Juice	Bug Juice		Famous	Wait Disney Presents		Movie: "Return From Witch Mountain"		
(18)	"Doctor Doolittle" Cont'd		Movie: "In Her Defense"				Movie: "Last Action Hero"			
(20)	College Basketball: America East				ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	"House of Secrets"		Movie: "A House of Secrets and Lies"				Any Day Now		Beyond Chance	
(5)	"Stone Cold" Cont'd		Movie: "The Gauntlet"						Movie: "The Gauntlet"	
(24)	Journey	Alex Mack	Amanda	Nick News	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Hillbillies
(25)	Girls Girls	Screen	Movie: "The FBI Story"						Movie: "Arrowhead"	
(26)	WWF Sunday Night Heat		Cover Me: FBI Family		Pacific Blue		La Femme Nikita		Law & Order	
(27)	Top 10		Movie: "The Golden Spiders: A Nero Wolfe Mystery"				Movie: "The Golden Spiders: A Nero Wolfe Mystery"			
(12)	Movie: "No One Cries Forever"				Total Recall 2070		News	Replay	Bzzz!	Beaststr
(39)	Worldview	Sports	Worldview	Pinnacle	CNN & Time		Cold War		Sports	NBA Wk.

MONDAY EVENING MARCH 6, 2000

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Moesha	Parkers	Grown Ups	Malcolm	Star Trek: Voyager		Mad	Mathis
(32)	Boss?	Boss?	Movie: "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York"				Famous Families		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	10th Kingdom				Thrid Watch		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "Broken Arrow"				Once and Again		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Antiques Roadshow				Steeley Dan			
(22)	College Basketball: MAAC Championship				College Basketball: MVC Champ.				Sportscenter	
(34)	Matt Houston		Movie: "Johnny Belinda"				Plantations of Savannah		Matt Houston	
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Grapevine	Raymond	Becker	Family Law		News	
(41)	Wm. Basketball		Women's College Basketball: Big East Semifinal				FOX Sports News		Toughman	Last Word
(15)	Movie: "The Evening Star" Cont'd				Sopranos		Movie: "Analyze This"			
(17)	Britney Spears		Movie: "Principal Takes a Holiday"			MusicVids	"Leapin' Leprechauns"		MusicVids	Smart Guy
(18)	"Wing Commander"		Movie: "Sphere"				Movie: "Dilemma"			
(20)	NHL Hockey: Ottawa Senators at Boston Bruins				Bruins		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Beyond Chance		Movie: "Another Woman's Husband"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	NBA Basketball: Miami Heat at Phoenix Suns				NBA Basketball			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Thornberrys	Thornberrys	Jeffersons	All in Family	Jeffersons	All in Family	Jeffersons	All in Family
(25)	Start the Revolution		Hollywood		Movie: "How to Steal a Million"				"The Barbarian and the Geisha"	
(26)	JAG		Walker, Texas Ranger		WWF Raw		WWF War Zone		Farm Club.com	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		City Confidential		Law & Order	
(12)	Full House	Full House	Movie: "Navy SEALs"				News		MacGyver	
(39)	Moneyline	Crossfire	World Today				Larry King Live		Newsstand	Moneyline

TUESDAY EVENING MARCH 7, 2000

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Seinfeld	Frasier	Secret Agent Man		I Dare You!		Star Trek: Voyager		Mad	Mathis
(32)	Boss?	Boss?	Movie: "Don't Go Breaking My Heart"				My So-Called Life		700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	3rd Rock	3rd Rock	Will-Grace	Just Shoot	Dateline		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Be a Millionaire		Dharma	Sports NI	NYPD Blue		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer		Eating Well for Optimum Health				Eight Weeks to Optimum Health		Of Healing	Alzheimer's
(22)	College Basketball: MCC Championship				College Basketball: Sun Belt Conf. Championship				Sportscenter	
(34)	Matt Houston		Bowling: Rockin' Bowl		Rollerjam: Teams TBA		PRCA Rodeo		Matt Houston	
(18)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		60 Minutes II		Judging Amy		News	
(41)	Celtics	Fame	Diamond Dreams		Goin' Deep		FOX Sports News		Toughman	Last Word
(15)	Movie: "Blue Chips" Cont'd				Movie: "True Crime"				Sopranos	
(17)	Youngstown and Steps		Movie: "Meet the Deedles"			MusicVids	Movie: "The Neverending Story"		Bug Juice	
(18)	Through a Blue Lens		Movie: "The Golden Child"				Movie: "Sacred Cargo"		Movie: "The Dentist II"	
(20)	Front Row		College Wrestling: ECAC Championships			Front Row	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Chicago Hope		Movie: "The Other Woman"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Steel Magnolias"						Movie: "My Girl 2"	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Rocket	Rocket	All in Family	Jeffersons	All in Family	Jeffersons	All in Family	Jeffersons
(25)	Those Daring Young Men		Marx Brothers in a Nutshell				Movie: "A Night in Casablanca"		"The Crimson Pirate"	
(26)	JAG		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "The Huntress"				Movie: "The Huntress"	
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		Love Chronicles		Law & Order	
(12)	Full House	Full House	Movie: "V.I. Warshawski"				MacGyver		MacGyver	
(39)	Election Returns		Election Returns				Larry King Live		Election Returns	Moneyline

WEDNESDAY EVENING MARCH 8, 2000

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3)	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Buffalo Sabres						Star Trek: Voyager	Mad	Mathis		
(32)	Boss?	Boss?	Movie: "Project X"				Higher Ground	700 Club			
6	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Dateline		West Wing		Law & Order	News			
8	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Two Guys	Norm	Drew Carey		Spin City	20/20	News		
10	Newshour-Lehrer		Doo Wop 50						I Am Ireland		
22	College Basketball: Mid-American Champ.				College Basketball: Big East Tournament First Round				Sportscl.		
(34)	Matt Houston		Dead Man's Gun		18 Wheels of Justice		Magnificent Seven	Matt Houston			
13	Friends	Ent. Tonight	City of Angels		Movie: "The First Wives Club"				News		
(41)	NBA Basketball: Milwaukee Bucks at Boston Celtics				Sports		FOX Sports News	Toughman	Last Word		
(15)	Baby Gens "Naked Gun 33 1/3: The Final Insult"				Sopranos		Movie: "If These Walls Could Talk 2"				
(17)	Movie: "Hocus Pocus"			Movie: "The Color of Friendship"			Movie: "Hocus Pocus"				
(18)	Crimes of Honor		Movie: "Titanic"						Stalker	Passion	
(20)	College Basketball: Conference USA First Round -- Teams TBA				College Basketball: Conf. USA First Round				ESPNNews		
(44)	Intimate Portrait		Chicago Hope		Movie: "Angel Flight Down"				Golden	Golden	
(5)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Ripley's Believe It or Not!		WCW Thunder		WCW Thunder	Ripley's Believe It or Not!			
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Spongeb	Jeffersons	All in Family	Jeffersons	All in Family	Jeffersons	All in Family	
(25)	"Don't Drink the Water"		Movie: "The Tall Men"				Movie: "Monkey Business"				
(26)	JAG		Walker, Texas Ranger		Movie: "Fatal Attraction"						Ranger
(27)	Law & Order		Biography		Investigative Reports		American Justice		Law & Order		
(32)	Full House		Full House		Movie: "Going All the Way"		News		MacGyver		
(19)	Moneyline		Crossfire		World Today		Larry King Live		Newsstand	Moneyline	

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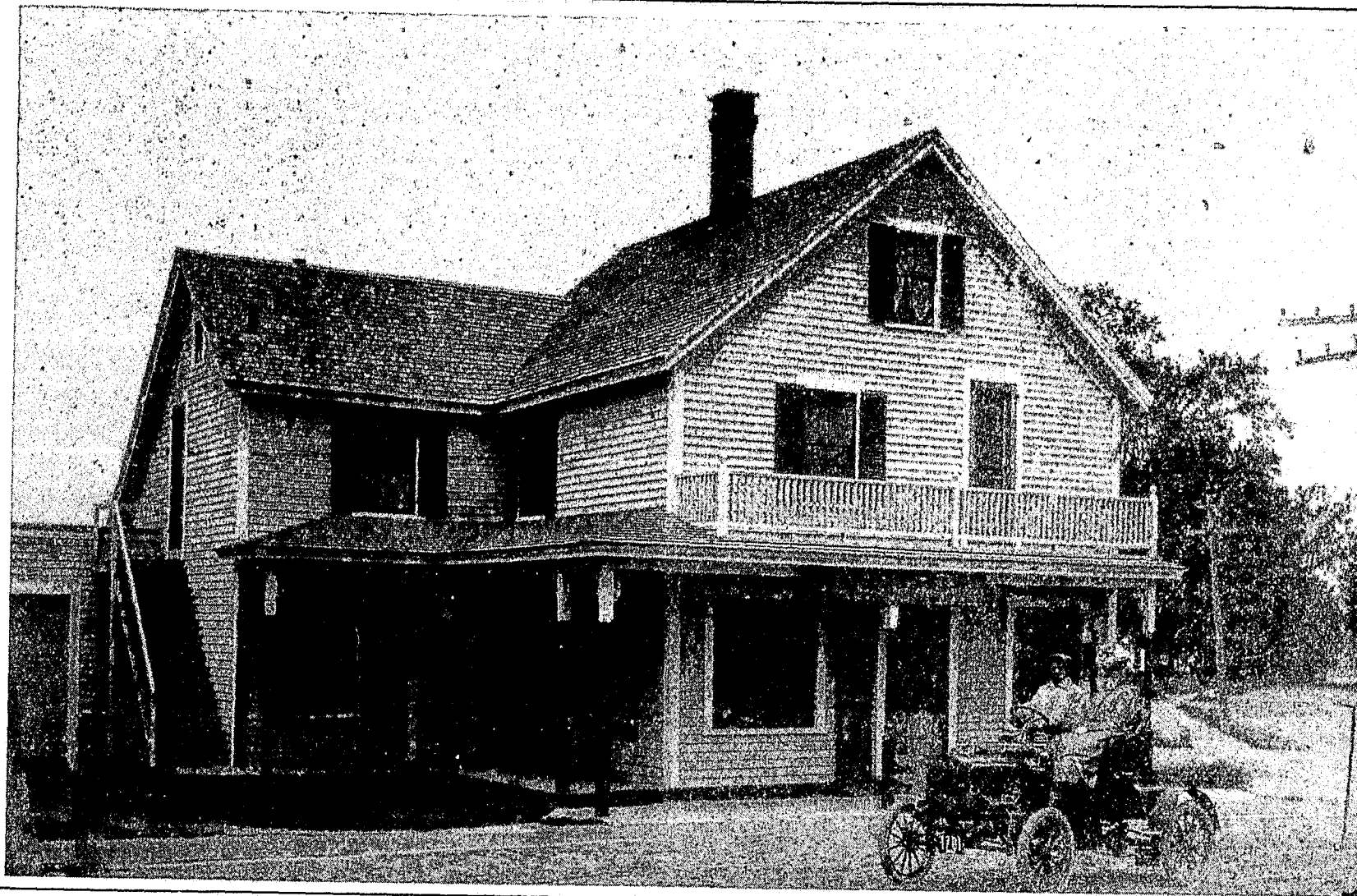
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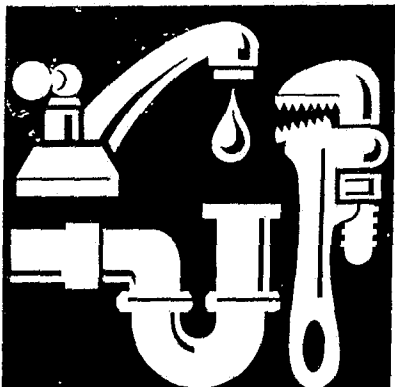


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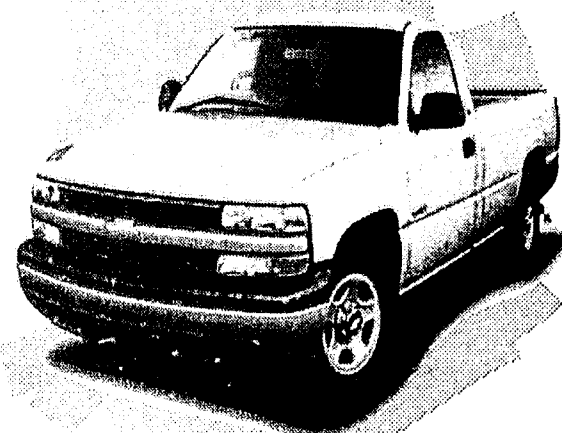
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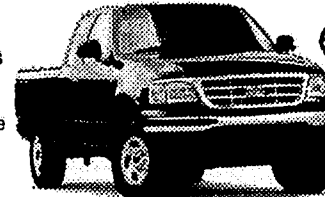
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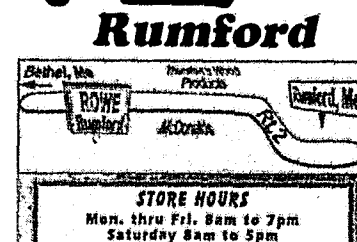
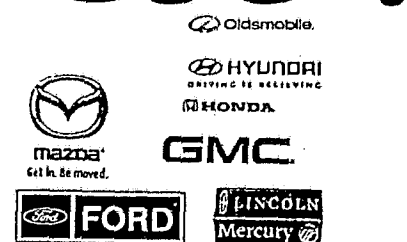
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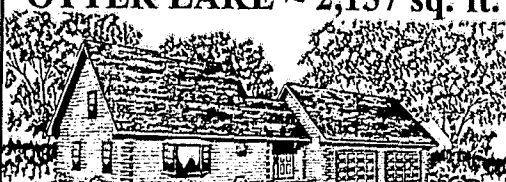
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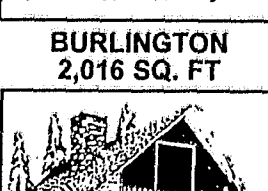
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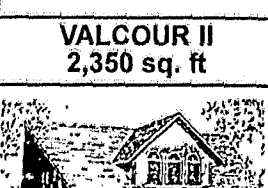
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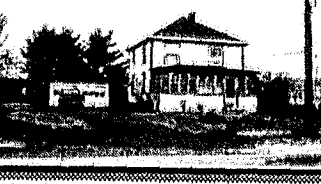
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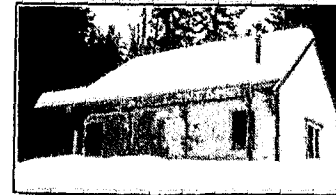
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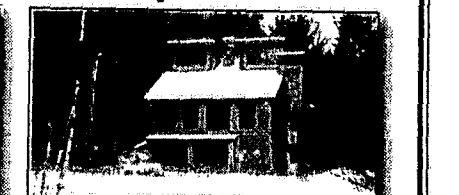
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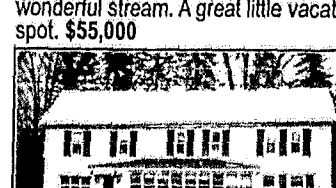
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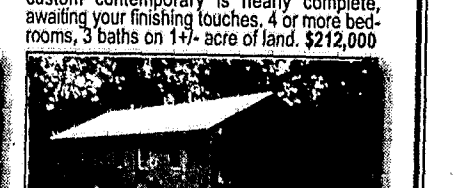
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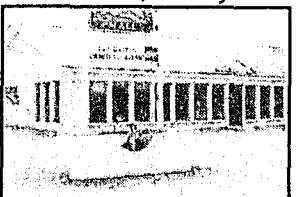
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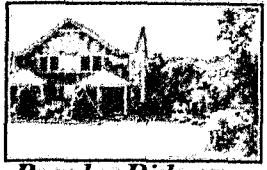
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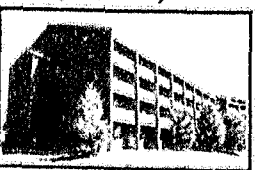
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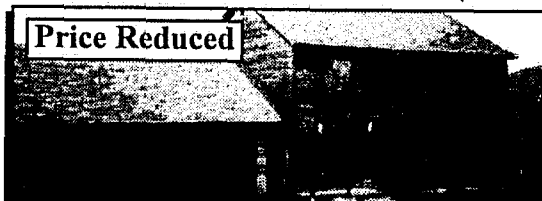
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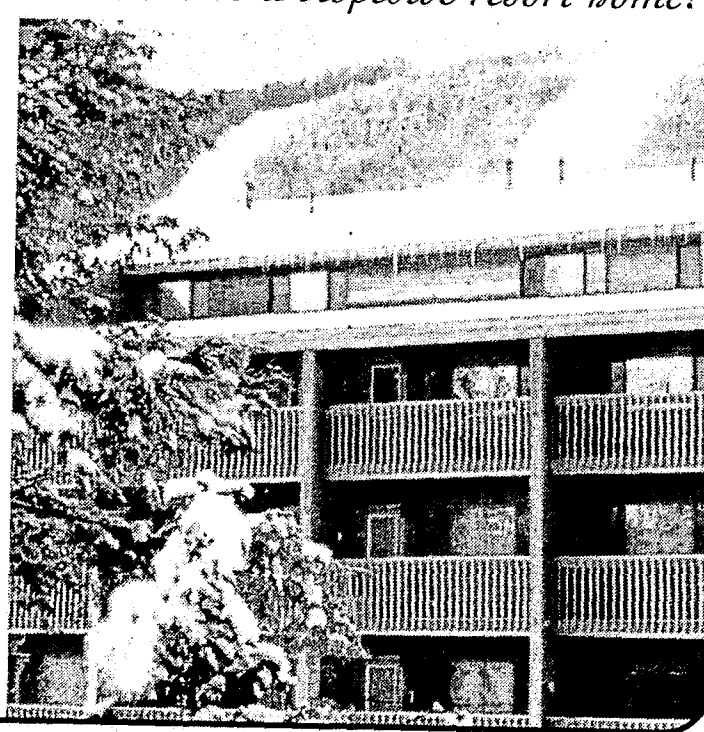
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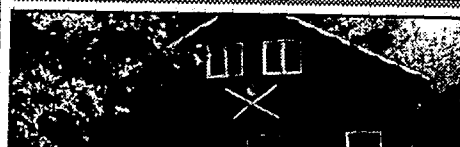
Sparrowhawk Mtn.: What better example of how to make a vacation home in the city can be! The Classic Dormered Lines of this 1985 Log Home sit on 5.7+/- acres, eloquently mimic its bordering foothills & mins. Rustic sophistication throughout its cheerful LR, fireplace, custom KIt, Dining Area w/woodstove, upper level FR, 3 Bds, 7 Baths, Bsmnt & Garage. A striking Western ME Mt. Retreat! \$159,000



Price Reduced - The Irish Neighborhood: Revered Emerald Isle descendants would indeed be nostalgic after viewing this green terrain. This exquisite Colonial offered on 1.5+/- acres blooming w/cool perennial plants has been skillfully & lovingly constructed. Striking in design & mountainous setting, a well thought-out floor plan boasts 4 Bds, 2 1/2 Baths, spacious entry KIt, scenic & sunny living & dining rooms. \$184,000



Price Reduced: Yes that farmhouse... The one you've always dreamed is now being offered for sale! Situated on 2.45+/- acres of manicured rolling grounds, this property is intrinsic in rich historic value offering 4 bedrooms, wide pine floors, inviting masonry fireplaces, high-ceilinged living areas and newer constructed 2 car garage. The epitome of a classic country offering. \$224,000 \$196,000



Combs Village: A Star's Paradise... Consists of every-so-close proximity to Sunday River Ski Resort, boasts fab mountain and trail views, abundant sleep capacity, a convenient floor plan with cozy woodstove for après ski gathering, easy-to-maintain ext with natural landscaping in a most coveted and charmingly quaint neighborhood with historically great resale value. A great vacation getaway. \$29,800



Viking Village at Sunday River: Enjoy spectacular fireworks shows, walk-to superb trail access, close proximity to lodges, restaurants, clubs & very special privacy in this small, quiet comm! Open, bright GR w/woodstove exposed ceiling beams, abundant windows, outdoor standing fieldstone fireplace, new maple kitchen cabinets, 3 Bds, 1 1/2 bath & expansion possibilities. Join this coveted community! \$175,000



Viking Village: A rare offering is found in this eye-catching chulet. Your ideal vacation or primary dwelling, in the sought-after, upper-end quaint Viking Village Comm w/walk to trail access. Lower level FR, BR, bath & laundry, upper level Master BR, 2nd Bath & GR. 2 additional 3rd floor BRs & catwalk, 2 woodstoves, OFFH. - Becoming a part of this charming village & develop years of memories. \$239,000 \$225,000



Rt. 26, Newry: A charming, freshly setting and 4.7+/- acre where quiet stone walls have been painstakingly laid with a soaring look. Upon the style setting dappled white & school cover, find this customized log home, constructed in 1987, its 1st flr enjoys a covered GR area, master BR & 2 add BRs. Its upper level boasts a full bath, a well thought-out floor plan boasts 4 Bds, 2 1/2 baths, w/frontage on the Bear River & long road frontage. Many possibilities. \$87,500



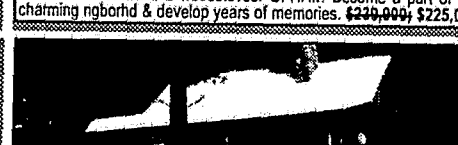
Price Reduced - Sunday River Road: Cozy situated in the scenic Sunday River Valley across the bridge, this village farmhouse on 4.5+/- pristine acres comprised of open, green fields & country views. Only minutes to Sunday River Skiway, the Appalachian Trail & treasured swimming holes. Its charming 2-story floor plan includes a welcoming foyer, whitewashed hardwood floors, living room w/brick fireplace, custom kitchen, 2 Bedrooms, 2 Porches. \$144,000 \$138,900



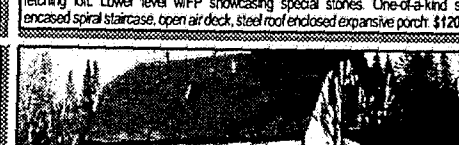
Price Reduced - Bob's Corner Store: Enter this village Convenience Store, Service Center & Gas Station & step back in time to a more pleasant era where customer service & personalized attention are paramount! Sit on Rt. 26, upon 175+/- of scenic Round Pond, next to the historic town common & only moments to incredible skiing. This truly modern place includes extensive inventory w/stocked local clientele & a dependable yearly tourist trade. \$289,000 \$269,000



Bethel: A truly striking 1989 Contemporary with prominent Prow front Gable End laden with abundance of sun stream windows & potential glorious views. Situated in a most sought after area boasting rural charm & privacy yet only moments to all local amenities, waterways & skiways. A wonderful LR w/cathedral ceiling adorns its lovely KIt/Din Combo, Master BR w/Bath, 2 add BRs & full Basement. Only \$139,000



Sparrowhawk Mt. W. Bethel: This absolutely magnificent retreat in the mountainous countryside is truly a joy to partake! A commanding log home bespeaking quality thruout its massive beams, hard pine floors and impressive walls all sparkling with wonderfully rich patinas. 3 Bds, 2 Baths, a great fieldstone fireplace, specialty windows, front porch w/scenic view. Sit on 7.4+/- acres of professionally landscaped natural-looking grounds. \$175,000



Chase Rd., Bethel: Expressive open living plan w/whimsical wood fire & exposed posts & beams make this 1990 Gambrel a "must see" standout. Offers an impressive GR. Enjoy sunny mornings from its breakfast nook area. LR & KIt areas are inviting w/ample cabinets, 2 ovens, rice cookers & great living space. Three 2nd story BRs are uniquely angled which wood fire & ceiling accented w/finer touches & two primary 2nd Decks, 1 1/2 Baths, 3 heating sources & a Spacious Bsmnt. \$199,000



Newry: Amidst a scenic setting of gently sloping wooded terrain... a delightful contemporary situated on a country cul-de-sac abutting Sunday River's new Jordan Bowl Access. Its open floor plan and extensive windows invite nature into its lovely great room with deck, upper level catwalk, three bedrooms, two baths, lower daylight level. \$199,000



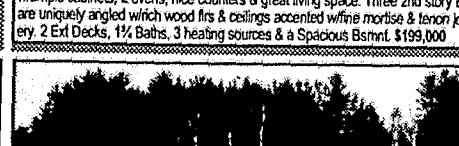
Nordic Knoll: Situated off Sunday River Road, this scenic 1.9+/- acre parcel offers unobstructed Mountain and trail views in preferred upper-end subdivision. \$39,500



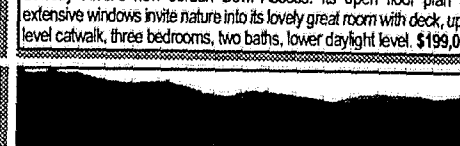
Viking Village: Walk to famed Sunday River Ski Resort trails from this sought after location! Established upper-end quaint village community boasts outstanding location & surroundings. \$80,000



WE OFFER OVER ONE HUNDRED LAND PARCELS! CALL FOR INFORMATION



New Listing - Lake Christopher: Enjoy easy year-round access from this privately situated, wooded waterfront parcel on sought-after pristine spring-fed lake! Only \$75,000



The Meadows, Bethel: The surroundings... spectacular, the mountain views... magnificent 10.4+/- acre lot with uncomparable vista views. Lot #2 \$49,900

CALL FOR OUR MASTER LISTS OF THE AREAS LARGEST AND MOST EXTENSIVE SELECTION OF PROPERTIES

SUNDAY RIVER SKI/SKI-OUT CONDOS															
		A-3	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$48,900	E-211	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	SOLD	I-104	2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$88,900	CARRIAGE HOUSE	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD		
Unit 2H		2 Bdrm/1.75 Bath	\$145,900	B-26	Studio/1 Bath	\$50,000	SOUTH RIDGE	I-132	2 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$89,900	#1	1-2 Lof/1 Bath	\$89,900		
Unit 3H		2 Bdrm/1.75 Bath	\$149,900	A-23	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$51,500	C-2	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	UNDER CONTRACT	WHITE CAP	#7	1-4 Lof/1 Bath	\$89,900		
Unit 4H		2 Bdrm/1.75 Bath		A-23	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$61,500	B-2	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	\$119,000	A-103	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	2 Bdrm/1 1/2 Bath	\$89,900		
Unit 5H		2 Bdrm/1.75 Bath		C-14	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$62,500	J-4	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD	A-103	1 Bdrm/1 Bath				
Unit 6H		2 Bdrm/1.75 Bath		C-14	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$62,500	K-3	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD	A-218	1 Bdrm/1 Bath				
Unit 7H		2 Bdrm/1.75 Bath		C-14	1 Bdrm/1 Bath	\$62,500	J-4	2 Bdrm/2 Bath	SOLD	A-207	1 Bdrm/1 Bath				
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Obituaries

HELEN A. ROBICHAUD

Helen A. Robichaud, 65, of Concord, N.H., and formerly of Sumnerfield, Fla., passed away at Hospice House in Concord on Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2000, after a six-month battle with cancer.

Mrs. Robichaud was born in Upton, the daughter of John and Gladys (Lombard) Angevine. She graduated from Gould Academy.

She was an avid golfer and volunteered on many social committees in her community. She was a retired tractor-trailer operator with her husband Al.

Survivors include her daughter, Lynn Cote of Concord; her son, Scott Holt of Milan, N.H.; her two grandsons, three brothers, Avery and Ernest Angevine of Bethel and John Angevine of Colebrook, N.H.; three sisters, Carrie Holt and Agnes Deblois both of Berlin, N.H., and Katherine Acker of Colebrook, N.H. She was predeceased by her husband, Al, who passed away in December 1999; a son-in-law, Michael Cote, who passed away in April 1994; her brothers Everett and George Angevine and her sisters Luella Angevine and Suzanne Couture.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Milan Methodist Church, Milan, N.H.

Card of Thanks

Many thanks to my wife & also to all the folks who came to help me celebrate my 60th.

Thanks for all the cards and gifts.

Gilbert

In Memory of John Provencher

Always a silent heartache, many a silent tear, but always beautiful memories of one we love so dear. Your memory is a keepsake, for which we will never part, though God has you in his keeping, we still have you in our hearts. Memories are treasures, no one can steal. Death is a heartache, no one can heal.

Words can't express the appreciation we feel for the love and support of family and friends.

Special thanks to Bethel Rescue, Stephens Memorial, Greenleaf Funeral Home, Deborah Jenks, Nina Wheeler, Neta Littlefield, West Bethel Union Church, Gould Academy, Bubba Blaisdell & Miss Bridget. For anyone whom I've missed, I apologize, this wasn't easy. Thank you one and all.

Barbara & Miranda Provencher
Jaclyn & Marc Reindeau
Mark MacKay

ALTON W. MYERS

Alton W. Myers, 67, of Waterford, beloved husband and father, died Feb. 26, 2000, following a brief illness.

He was born on May 24, 1932, the son of William H. and Barbara Cutler Myers of Scarborough. He attended Sacred Heart School and participated in choir and as an altar boy at the Cathedral Catholic Church. As a young boy he was active in Boy Scouts and was recognized as an Eagle Scout.

He married Daveen Poland in 1965 and worked for many years for Dixie Hendrix's Monument Company in Auburn. Active in the construction industry, he operated North Star-Polaris, Inc., in Waterboro, until he retired in 1994.

He was involved in boxing and received a Golden Gloves Boxing Championship Award in 1949. Mr. Myers joined the Army in 1952 and became part of the Mountain Climbing Division stationed in Austria. He received an honorable discharge in 1954. A multi-talented musician, he started playing guitar at age 10, he played in several local bands including the Cumberland Ridgerunners. He entertained with many well-known personalities including Ken MacKenzie, Dick Curless, Don Reno and Bill Ankatel.

His musical talents and positive influences affected the students at Bates College, who presented him a Martin guitar to show their appreciation for his friendship and leadership contributions made while employed as the athletic equipment manager during the early '70s. Out of his generosity and love for Bluegrass Music, Mr. Myers opened his home to hundreds of participants

that came from many states and eastern Canada each year to enjoy Bluegrass Field Picking and elaborate barbecues, at no charge.

He was an enthusiastic collector of rare instruments and antique records. He contributed to the Dixie Flyer and National Mountain Railroad Publication in Knoxville, Tenn., sharing his knowledge of early recordings with others. He was a member of N.A.V.R.E. and the Family Railroad Organization. He enjoyed gourmet cooking, World War II history and was an amateur sound engineer.

He is survived by his wife; son Kevin and daughter Shana, all of Waterford; son Joseph Brown of Norway; daughters, Mary Elsie and Pam Wilson of Toledo, Ohio, and Rebecca Marston of Andover; brothers, Edmond of Massachusetts, Gerry and wife Olga of Riverside, Calif., William of Scarborough, Donald and wife Carolyn of Cumberland and Benjamin and wife Lorraine of Lyman; many nieces, nephews and four grandchildren, including Dalton K. Myers, 7, who shared his love for trains and railroading. He was predeceased by his parents and a sister, Ellen Huff.

Family and friends visited on Wednesday, March 1, at the West-ton-Chandler Funeral Home, Norway. Interment will be in the spring at Pulpit Rock Cemetery.

FRED A. PIKE

Fred A. Pike, 71, died Monday morning, Feb. 28, 2000, at his home on the Bolsters Mills Road, Harrison, following a brief illness.

Mr. Pike was born at South Waterford, a son of Clayton and Grace Skinner Pike. He attended schools in South Waterford and Bridgton

Academy in Bridgton.

He married the former Evelyn M. Sprague on Sept. 7, 1950.

He had been a logger and a truck driver for Lincoln's Express in Portland. He was a farmer in Harrison and worked at the Harrison Transfer Station at the time of his death. He had lived in Hollis and Buxton before moving to Harrison in 1966.

Mr. Pike was a former selectman and member of the Board of Appeals, a member of the Masonic Lodge in Buxton and a 40-year member of the Crooked River Lodge in Harrison, a member of the Chapter and Commandery in Bridgton and the Kora Temple Shrine in Lewiston, and a former member of the Buxton-Hollis Rod and Gun Club.

Survivors besides his wife of Harrison are three sons, Russell C., David F., and Clifford N.; two daughters, Roxanne M. Thiene and Kathy E. Bracken, both of Harrison; two brothers, Robert of South Waterford and Herbert of Naples; seven sisters, Edith Monk of Nashua, N.H., Lelia Hill of South Waterford, Reta St. John of Harrison, Ruth O'Brien of Bethel, Laura Richardson of Evanston, Wyo.; Betty Adams of Lovell, and Eva Thurlow of Casco; and 11 grandchildren. He was predeceased by two brothers, John and Wendall, and a granddaughter, Shannon Pike.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 3, at the Ronald F. St. John VFW Hall, with the Rev. David McMahon officiating. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 2, at the Raymond-Wentworth Funeral Home in Bridgton. In lieu of flowers, do as Fred would say, "Keep your money."



Bowie — Ruhsam

Susan Brooke-Bowie is pleased to announce the engagement of her daughter, Jennifer Lynn Bowie, to William Milton Ruhsam Jr. The engagement occurred shortly after midnight on New Year's Eve.

A graduate of Telstar Regional High School, Jennifer graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute with a BS in communication in 1998 and an MS in technical communication in 1999. She is currently teaching first-year composition while pursuing her Ph.D. in technical communication and rhetoric.

Bill is employed at the Texas Department of Transportation as a traffic engineer. He graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1996 with a BS in mechanical engineering. He is the son of Rozanne and William Ruhsam Sr. of Birmingham, Ala.

Jennifer and Bill are currently residents of Lubbock, Texas.

Births

On Feb. 10, Troy and Stephanie Smith of Rutland, Mass., became the proud parents of a baby boy, Jason Frederick, 9 pounds, 14 ounces, born at St. Vincent's Hospital, Worcester, Mass.

Paternal grandparents are David and Rosemary Smith of Rochester, Mass., and Linda Smith of Westminster, Colo. Great-grandmother is Mary E. Smith and the late C. Frederick Smith of North Brookfield, Mass. Great-grandfather is James Freeman Vail of Denver, Colo.

Maternal grandparents are Nelson Smith and Betty Smith, both of

Bethel. Great-grandparents are Phyllis Smith and the late Jason Smith of Bethel.

Jana Mason of Bethel is pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Haiven Dezirae Mason, born on Feb. 26, 2000, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 8 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are John and Roxanne Corriveau of Bethel, and Scott Mason Sr. and Faye Moore of Rumford.

Adopted paternal grandparents are John and Lorna Mahar of West Bethel.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY CAUCUS:

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Card of Thanks

I would like to thank my family, Dr. Medd, Dr. Story, also the nurses at both Stephens Memorial and Ledgewood Nursing Home for the care given to me while I was there for nearly 4 months.

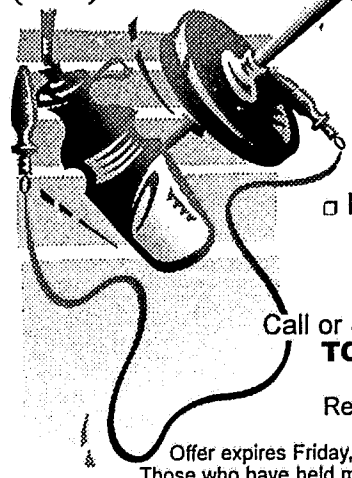
I would like to thank my family in North Carolina, Connecticut and all my family and friends here at home. The flowers, food and love given to me helped me to recover soon.

Thank you
Eva M. Perry

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